

# Improving the precision of high-energy simulation and analysis tools

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- Monte Carlo event generation
- Jet finding algorithms

# Monte Carlo Event Generation

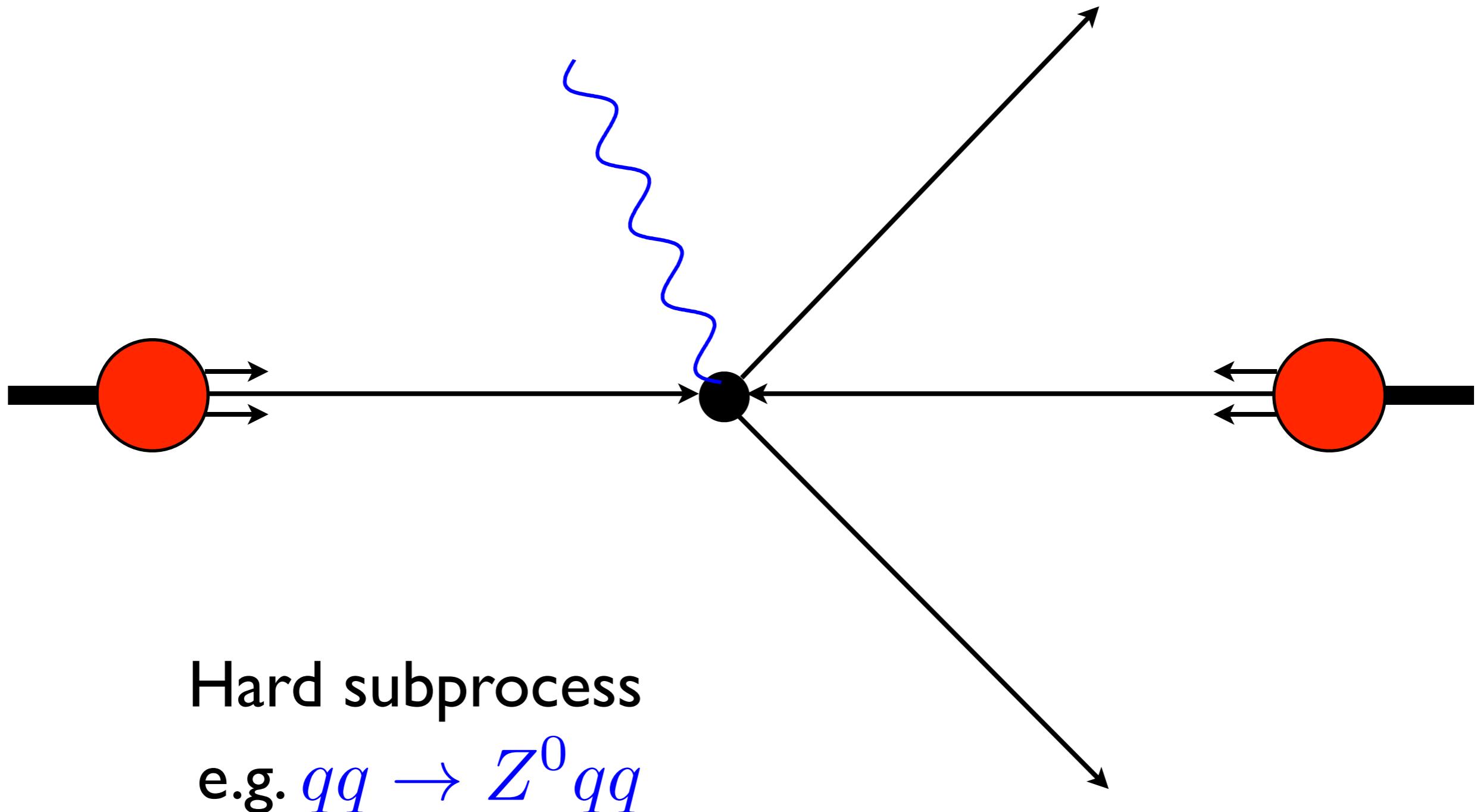
# Monte Carlo Event Generators

- Traditionally (imprecise) general-purpose tools

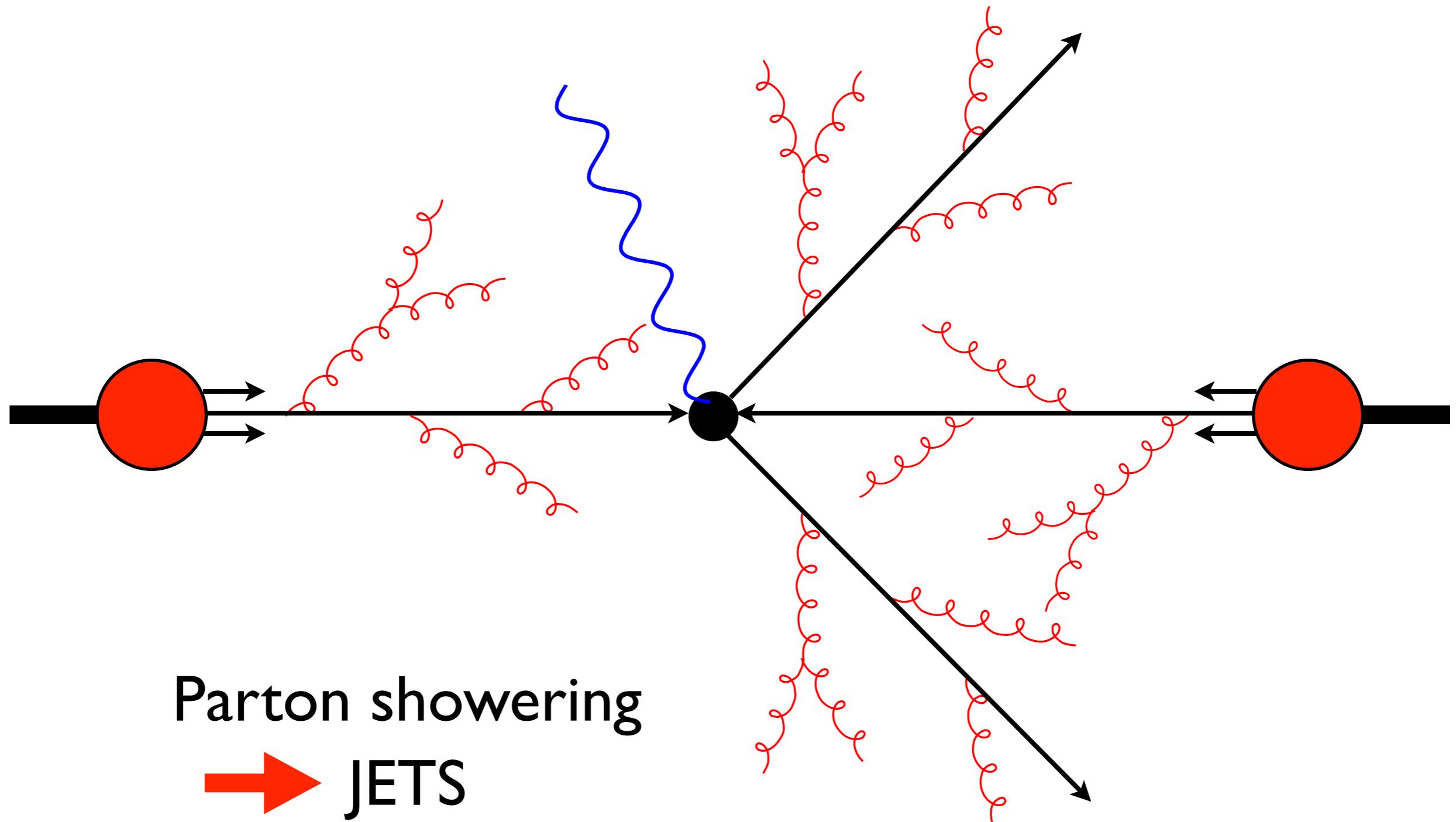


- Much recent work to make them more precise

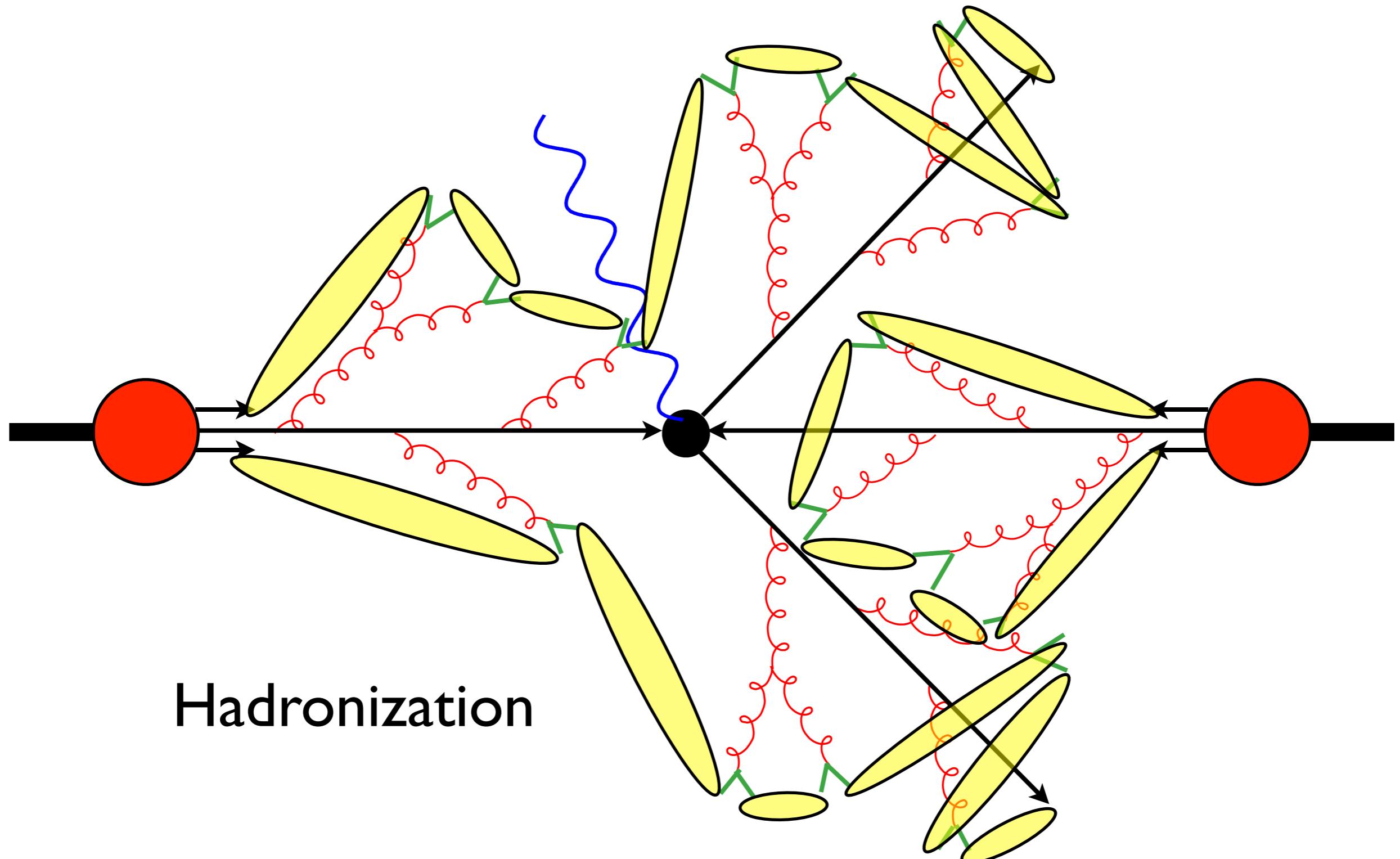
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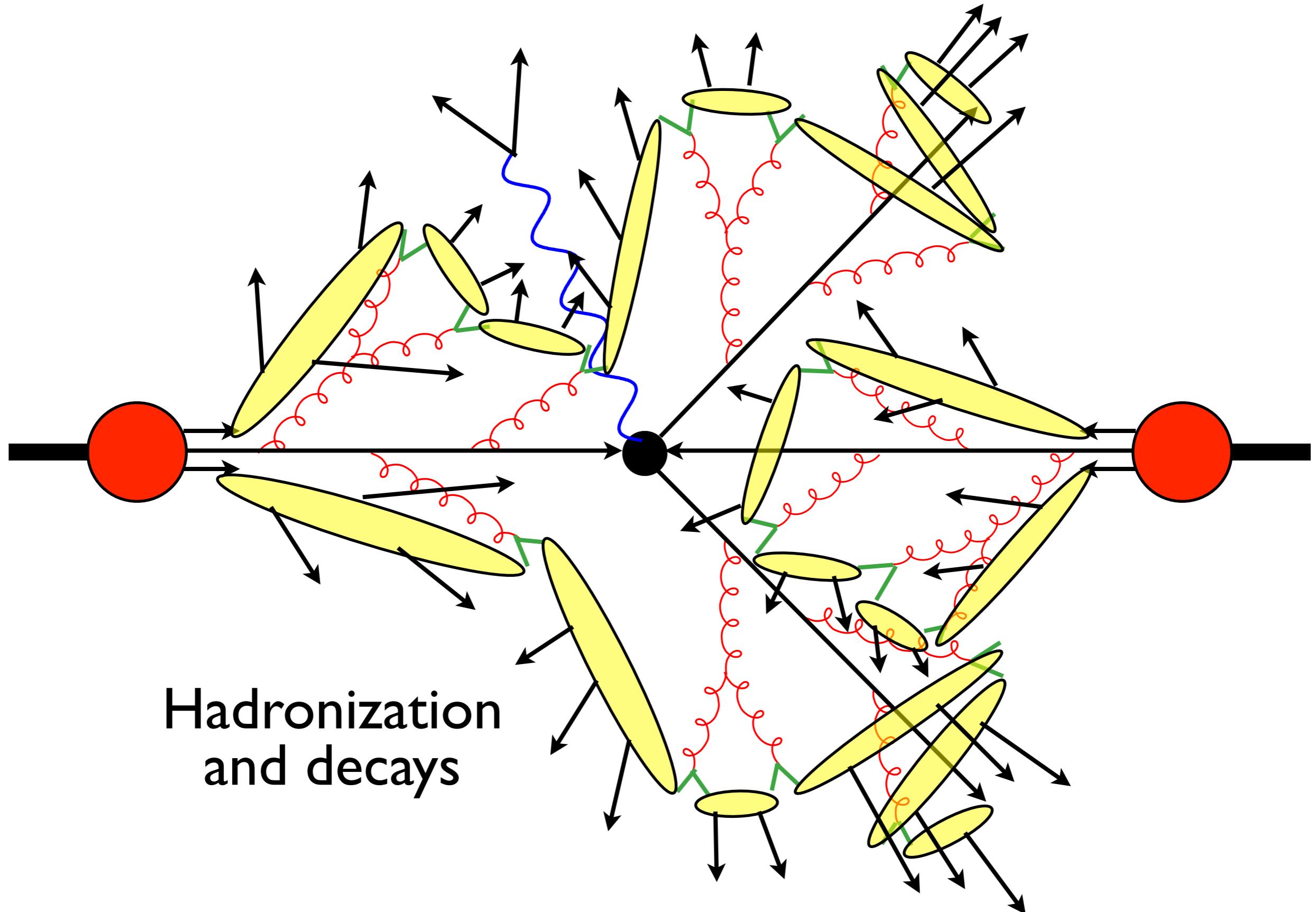
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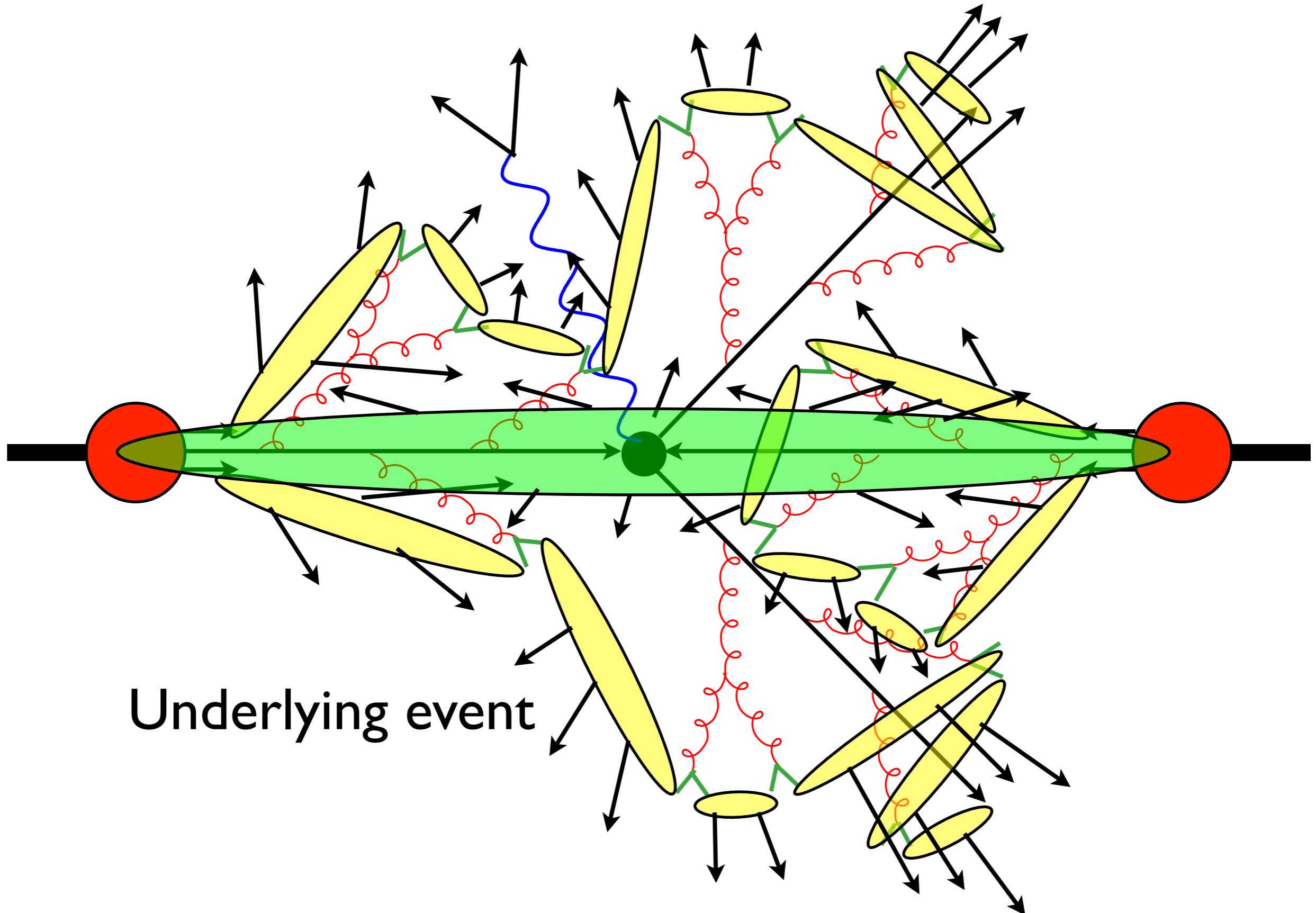
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Underlying event

# MC Event Generators

## ● HERWIG

<http://projects.hepforge.org/herwig/>

- Angular-ordered parton shower, cluster hadronization
- v6 Fortran; Herwig++

## ● PYTHIA

<http://www.thep.lu.se/~torbjorn/Pythia.html>

- Dipole-type parton shower, string hadronization
- v6 Fortran; v8 C++

## ● SHERPA

<http://projects.hepforge.org/sherpa/>

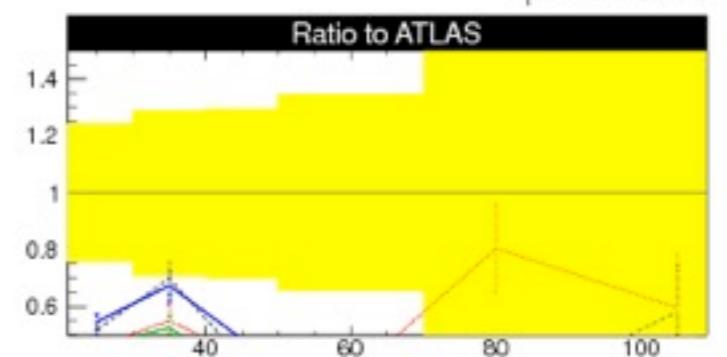
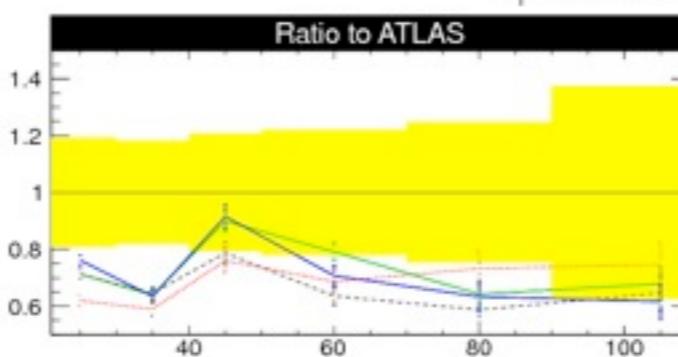
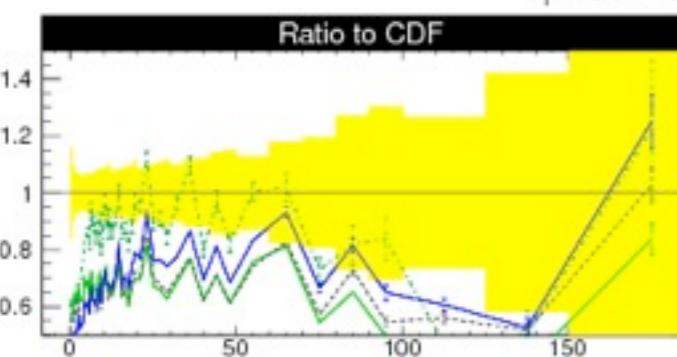
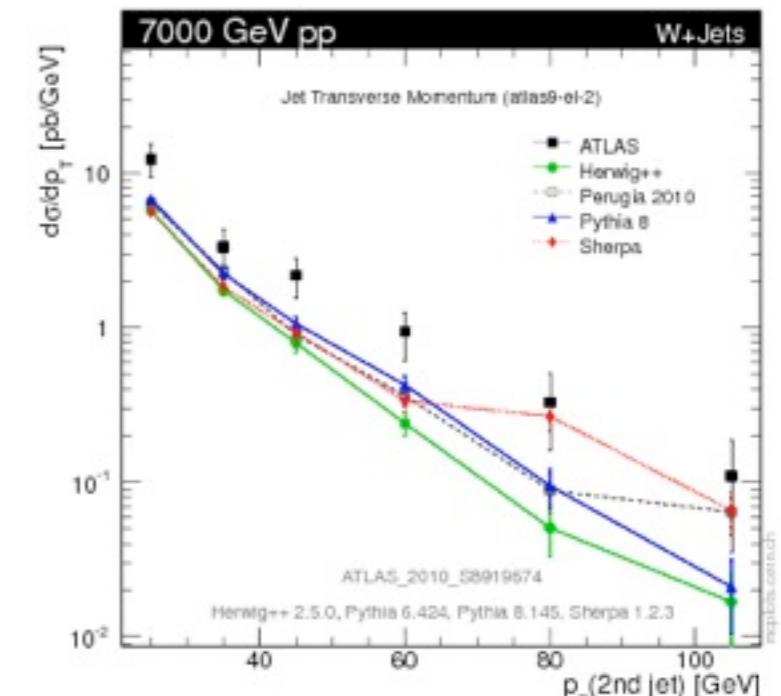
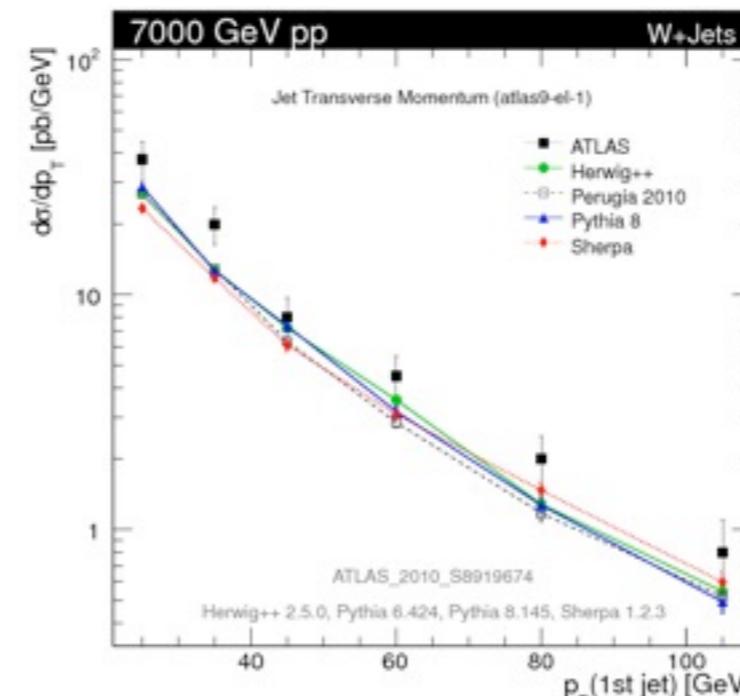
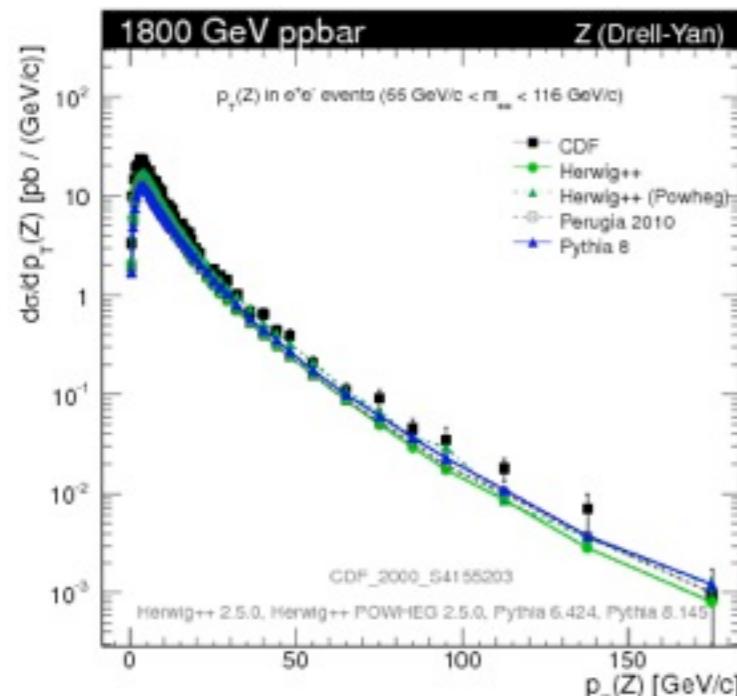
- Dipole-type parton shower, cluster hadronization
- C++

“General-purpose event generators for LHC physics”,  
A Buckley et al., arXiv:1101.2599, Phys. Rept. 504(2011)145

# Parton Shower Monte Carlo

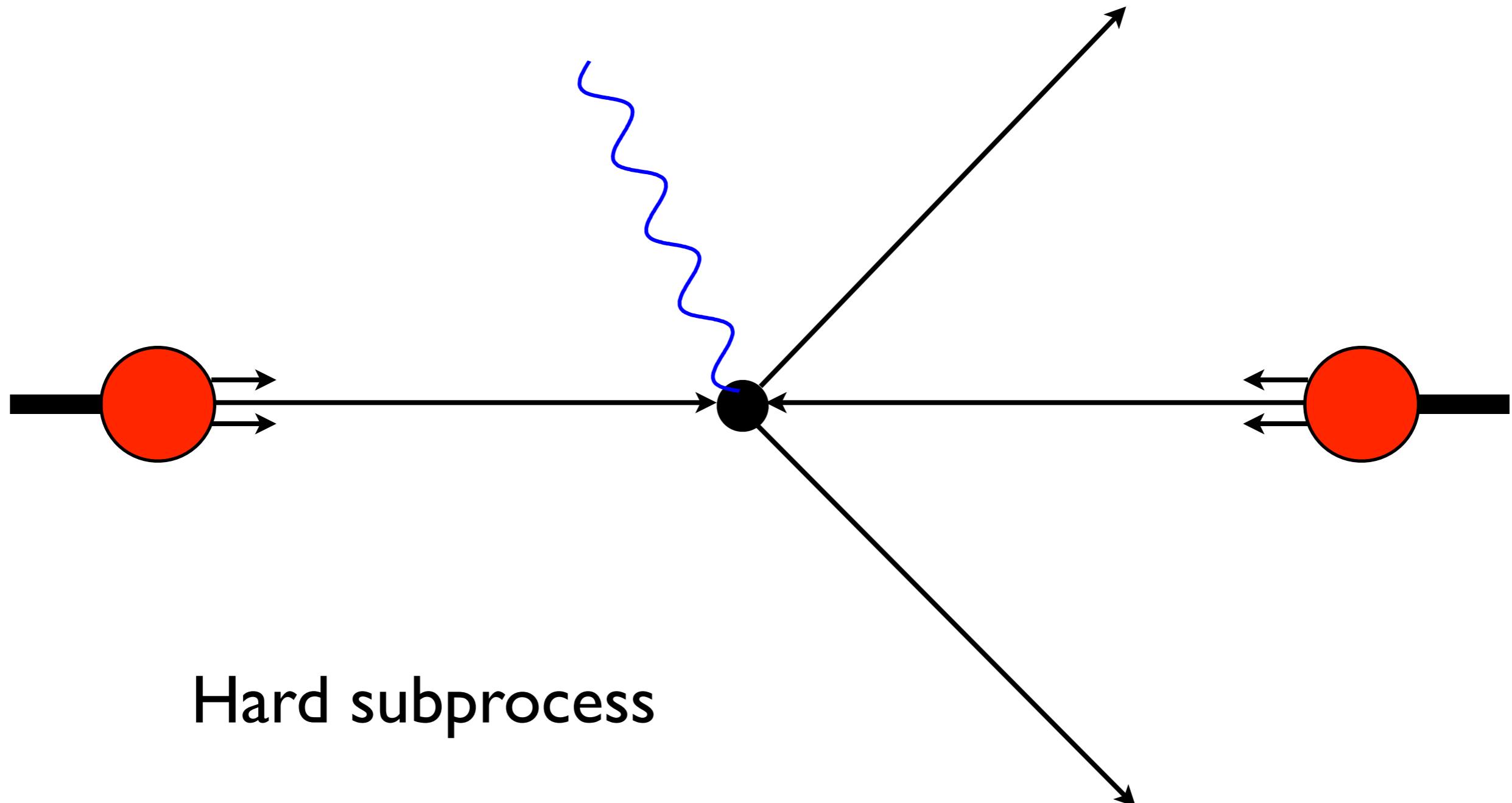
- Hard subprocess:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z^0$

<http://mcplots.cern.ch/>  
<http://lhcathome.web.cern.ch/>

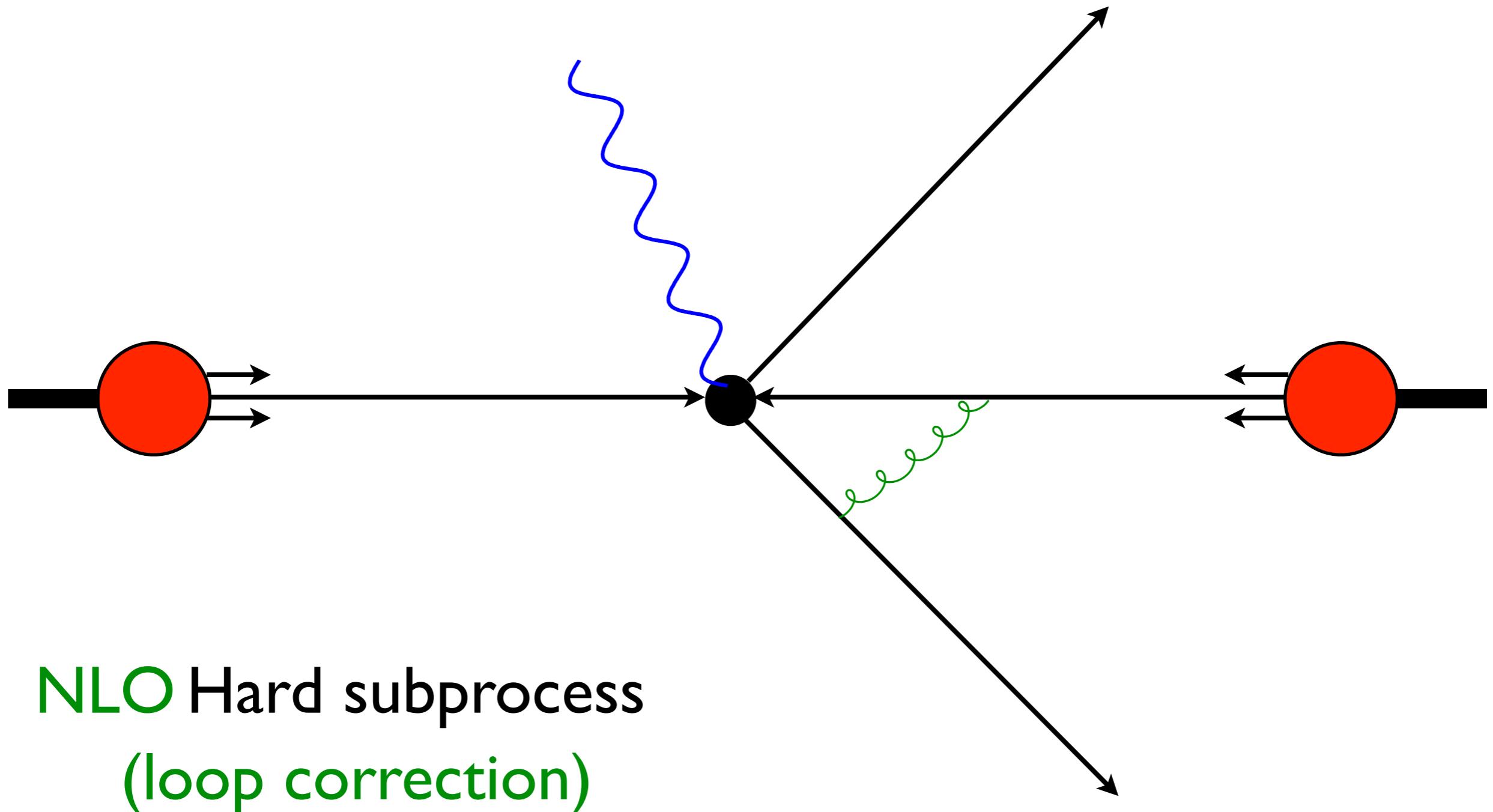


- Leading-order (LO) normalization → need next-to-LO (NLO)
- Worse for high p<sub>T</sub> and/or extra jets → need multijet merging

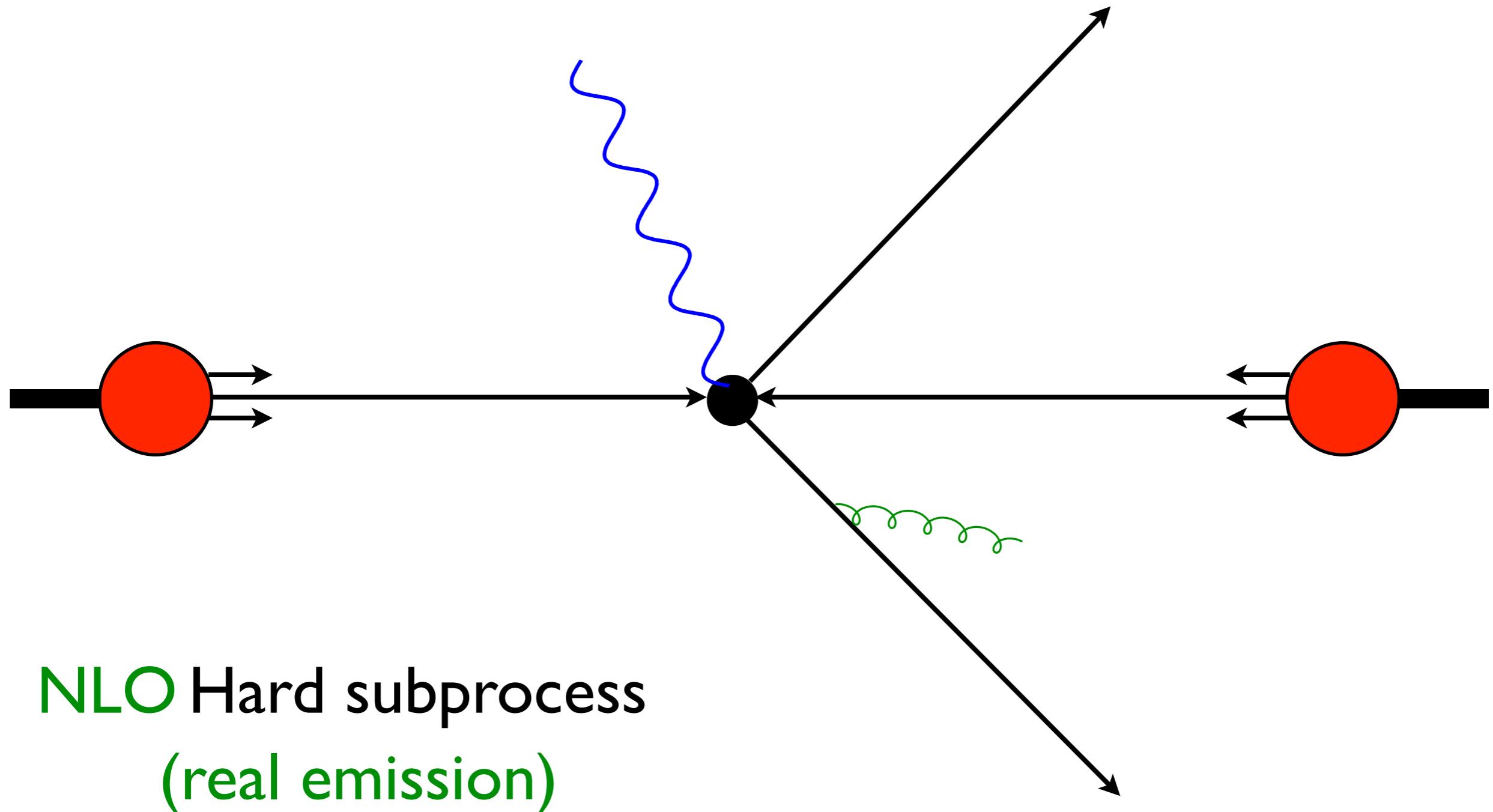
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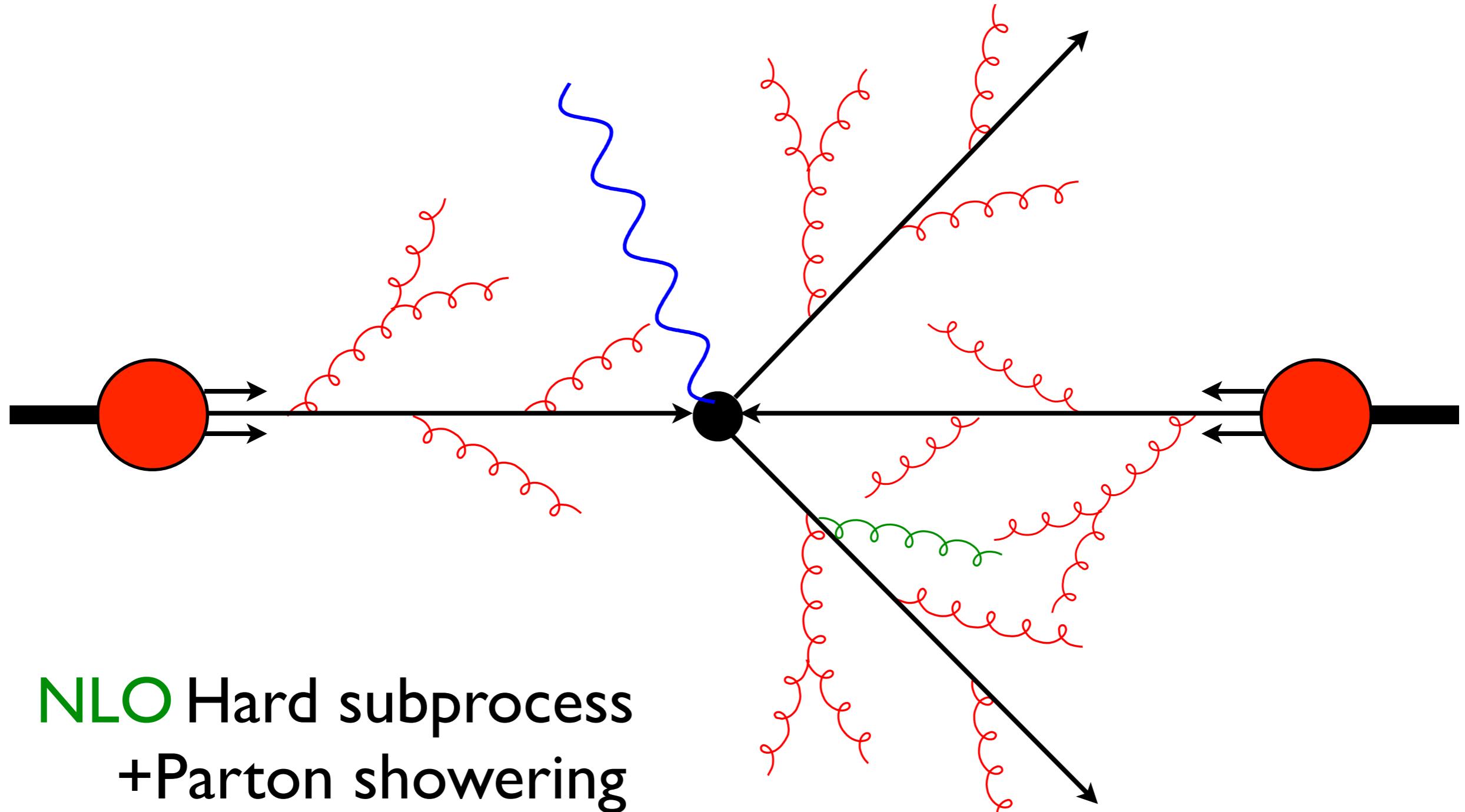
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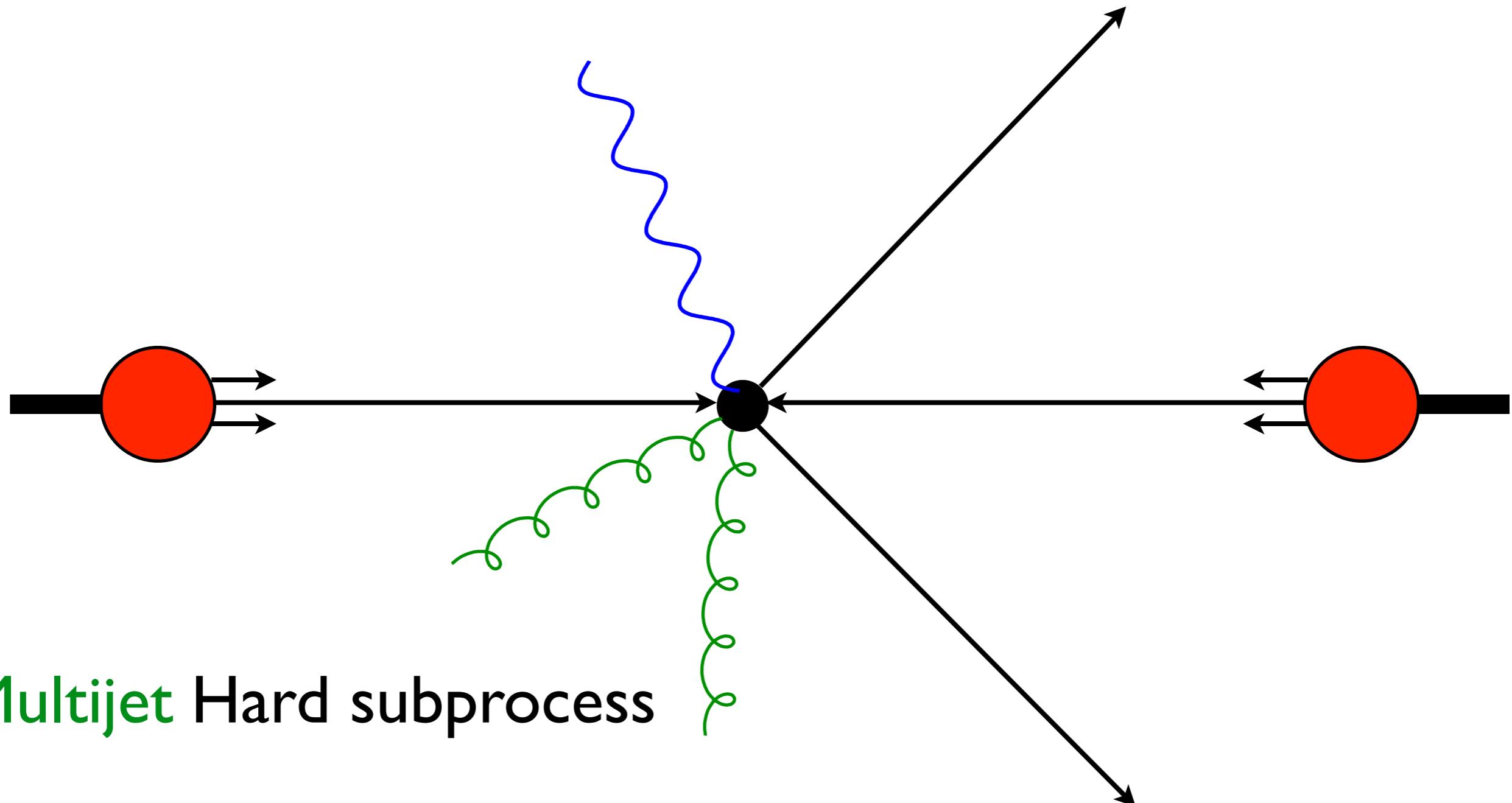
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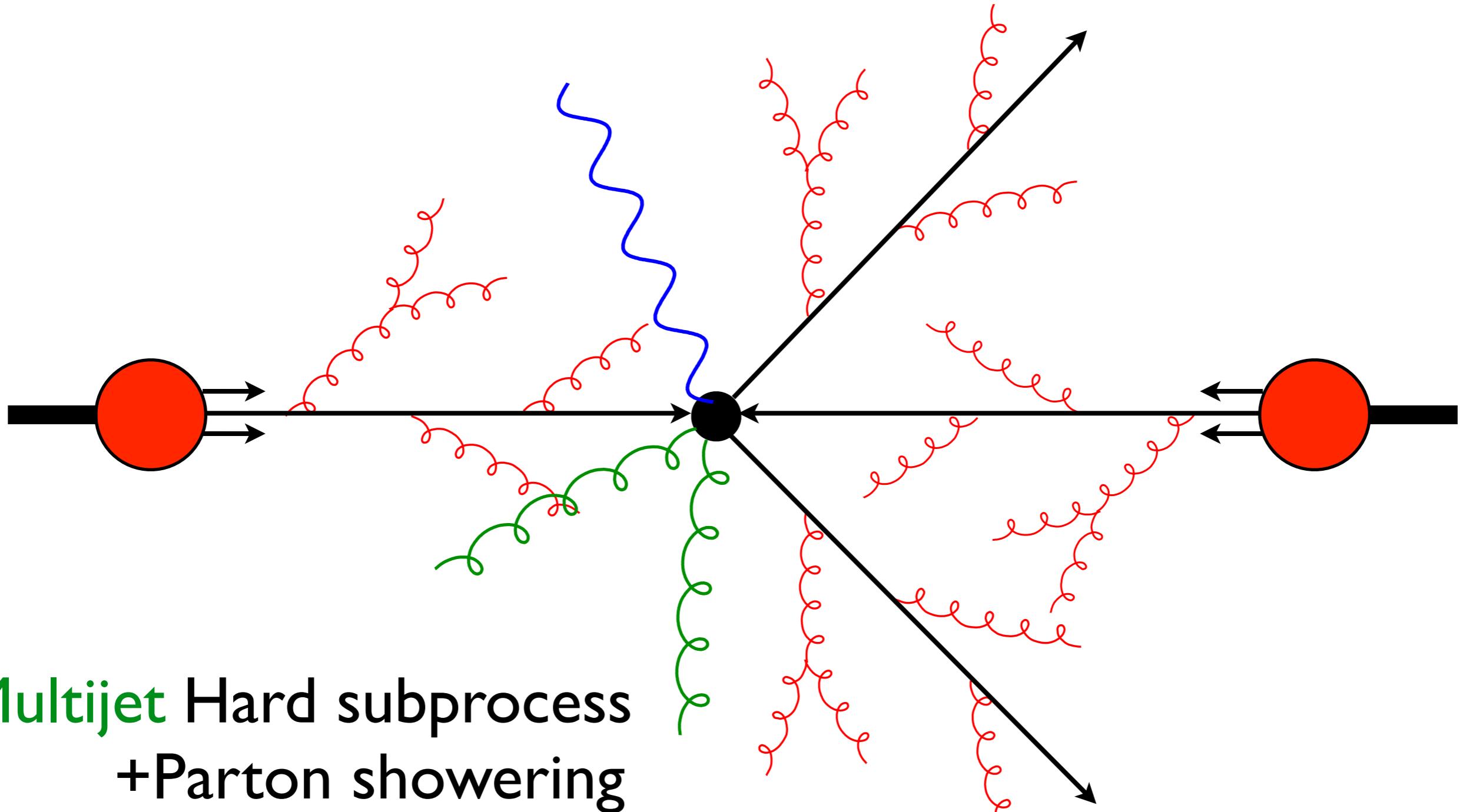
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Multijet Hard subprocess  
+Parton showering  
= Double counting??

# Matching & Merging

- Two rather different objectives:
- Matching parton showers to NLO matrix elements, without double counting
  - ✿ MC@NLO Frixione, BW, 2002
  - ✿ POWHEG Nason, 2004
- Merging parton showers with LO n-jet matrix elements, minimizing jet resolution dependence
  - ✿ CKKW Catani, Krauss, Kühn, BW, 2001
  - ✿ Dipole Lönnblad, 2001
  - ✿ MLM merging Mangano, 2002

# MC@NLO matching

$$d\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = \left[ B(\Phi_B) + V(\Phi_B) - \int \sum_i C_i(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) d\Phi_R \right] d\Phi_B + R(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) d\Phi_B d\Phi_R$$

finite virtual

$$\equiv \left[ B + V - \int C d\Phi_R \right] d\Phi_B + R d\Phi_B d\Phi_R$$

$$d\sigma_{\text{MC}} = B(\Phi_B) d\Phi_B \left[ \Delta_{\text{MC}}(0) + \frac{R_{\text{MC}}(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)}{B(\Phi_B)} \Delta_{\text{MC}}(k_T(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)) d\Phi_R \right]$$

$$\equiv B d\Phi_B [\Delta_{\text{MC}}(0) + (R_{\text{MC}}/B) \Delta_{\text{MC}}(k_T) d\Phi_R]$$

**Sudakov factor**

=  $P(\text{no emission above } p_T)$   $\rightarrow \Delta_{\text{MC}}(p_T) = \exp \left[ - \int d\Phi_R \frac{R_{\text{MC}}(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)}{B(\Phi_B)} \theta(k_T(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) - p_T) \right]$

$$d\sigma_{\text{MC@NLO}} = \left[ B + V + \int (R_{\text{MC}} - C) d\Phi_R \right] d\Phi_B [\Delta_{\text{MC}}(0) + (R_{\text{MC}}/B) \Delta_{\text{MC}}(k_T) d\Phi_R]$$

$$+ (R - R_{\text{MC}}) \Delta_{\text{MC}}(k_T) d\Phi_B d\Phi_R$$

finite  $\geq 0$

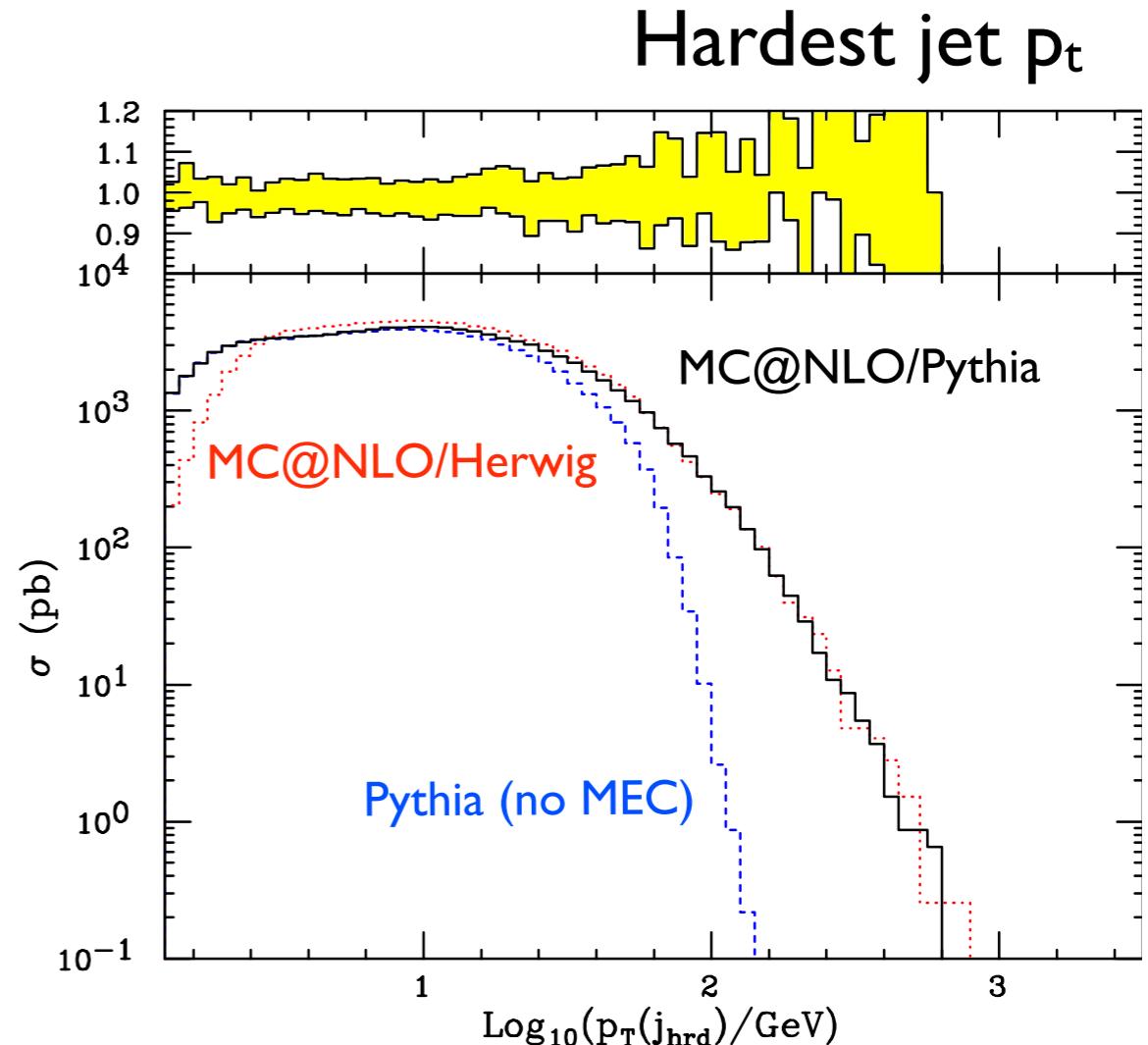
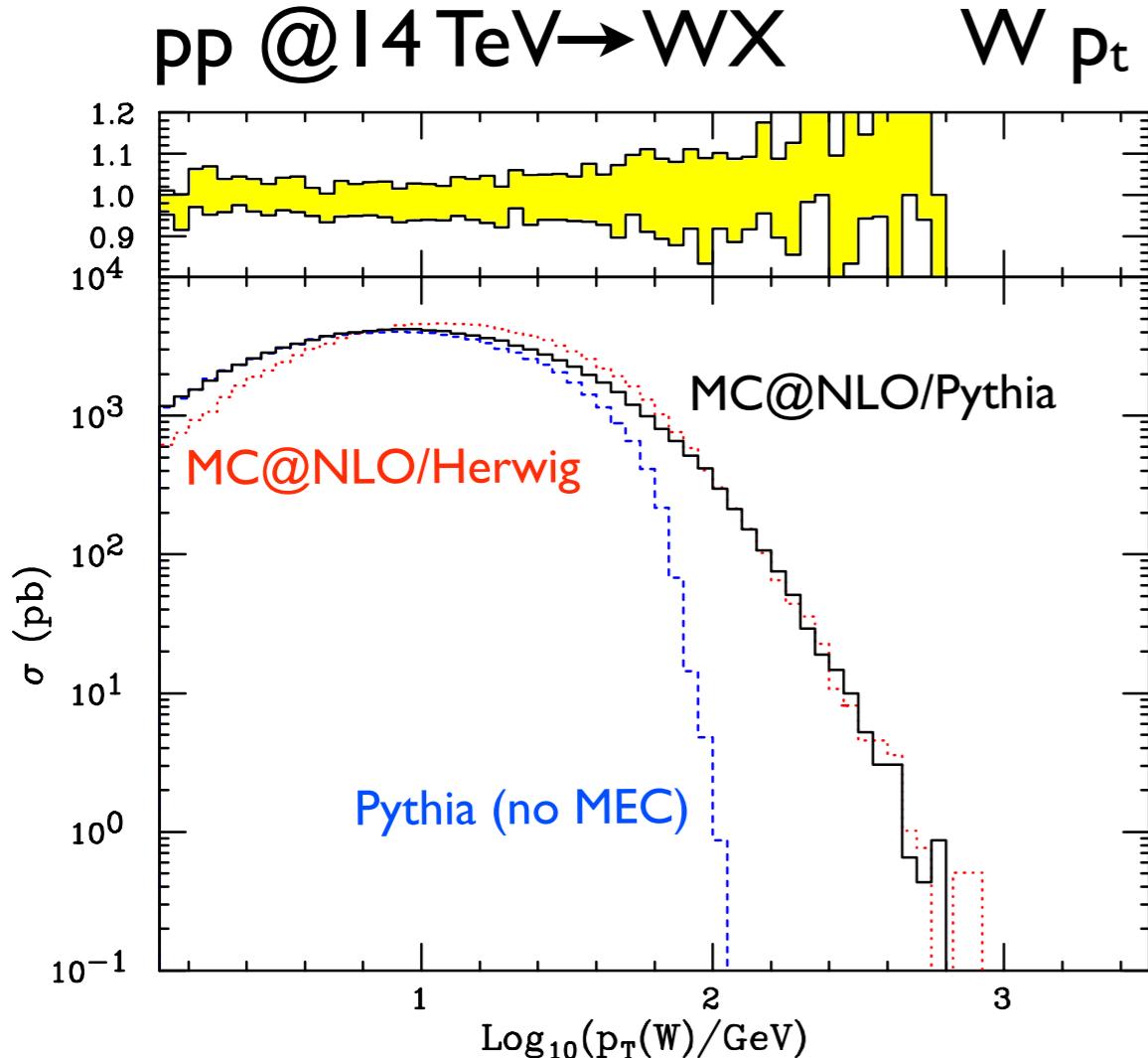
MC starting from one emission

MC starting from no emission

- Expanding gives NLO result

S Frixione & BW, JHEP 06(2002)029

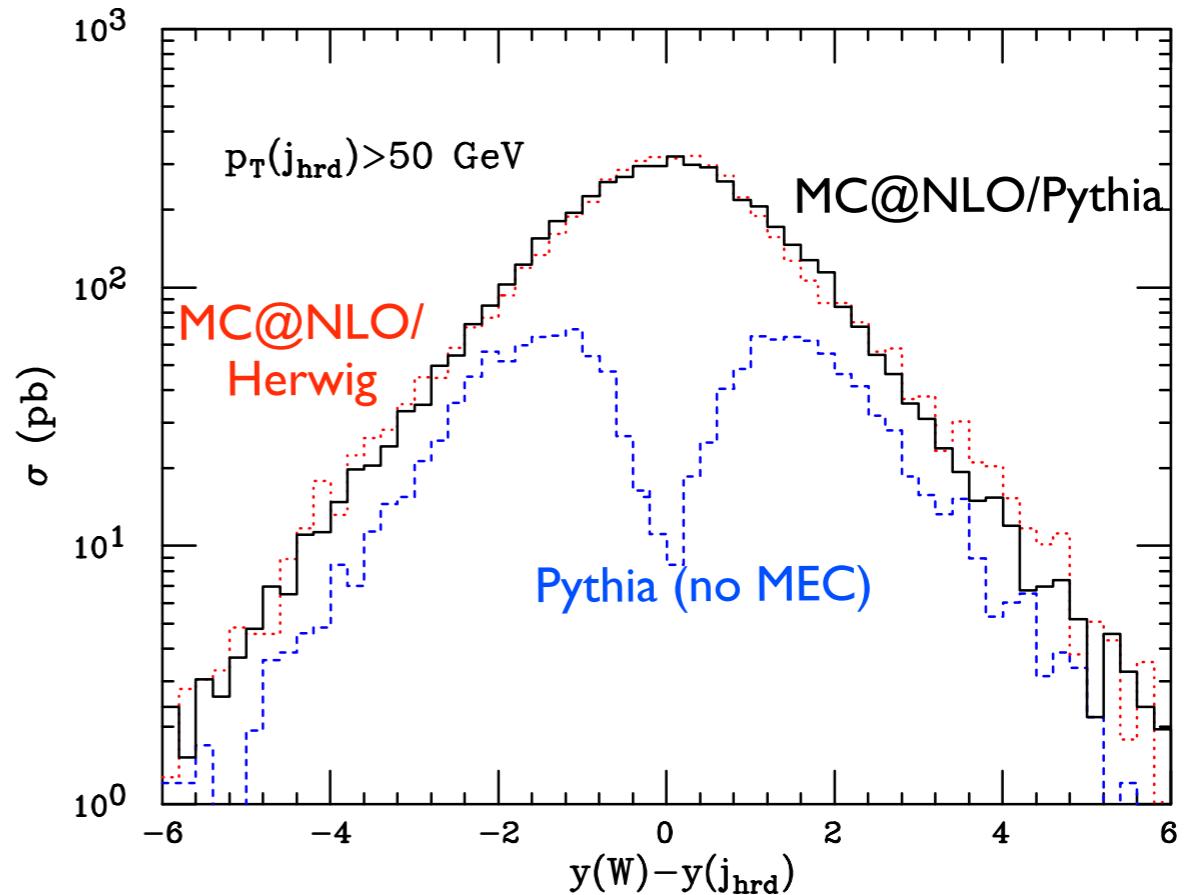
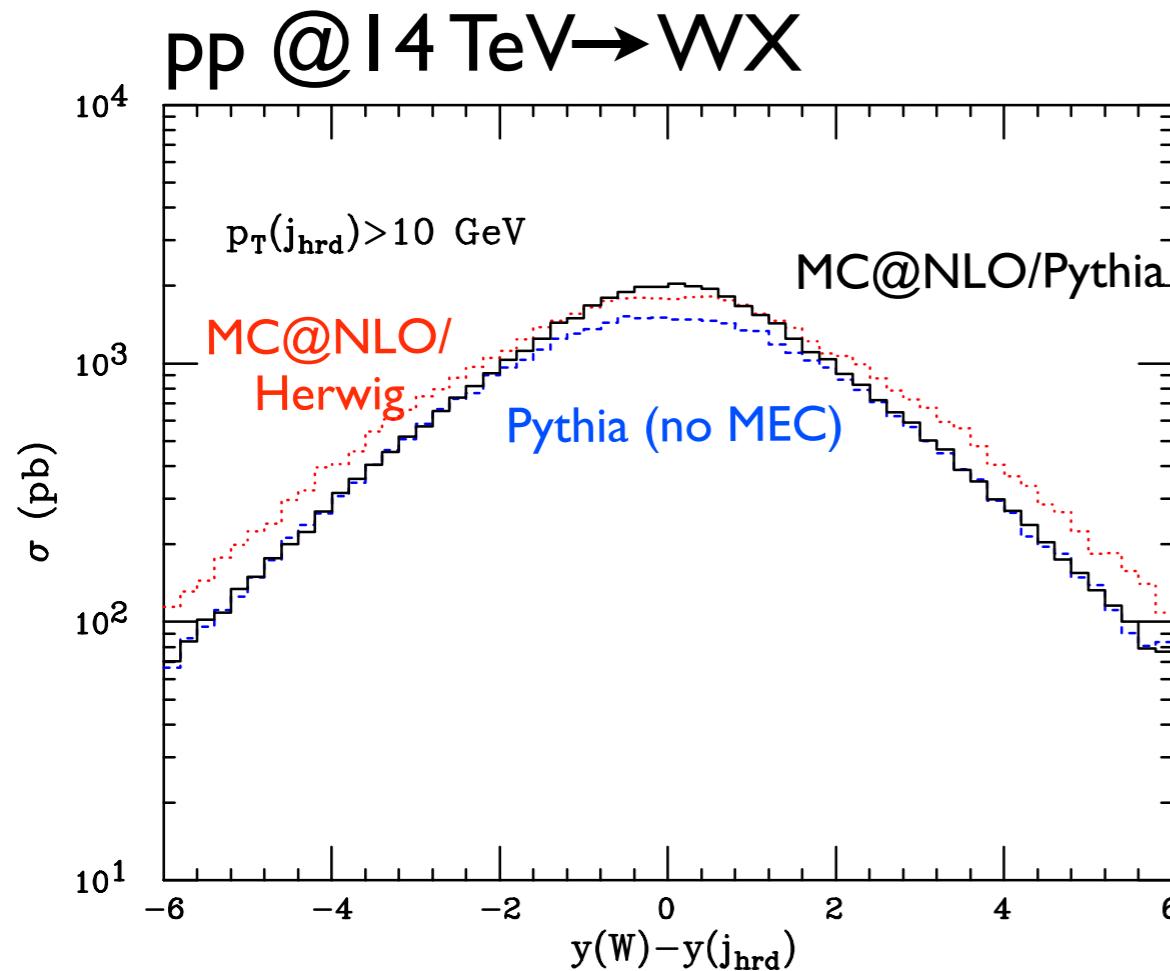
# MC@NLO matching



- MEC=Matrix Element Correction (not NLO)
- MC@NLO is MC-specific, but result is NLO

S Frixione & P Torrielli, JHEP 04(2010)110

# MC@NLO matching

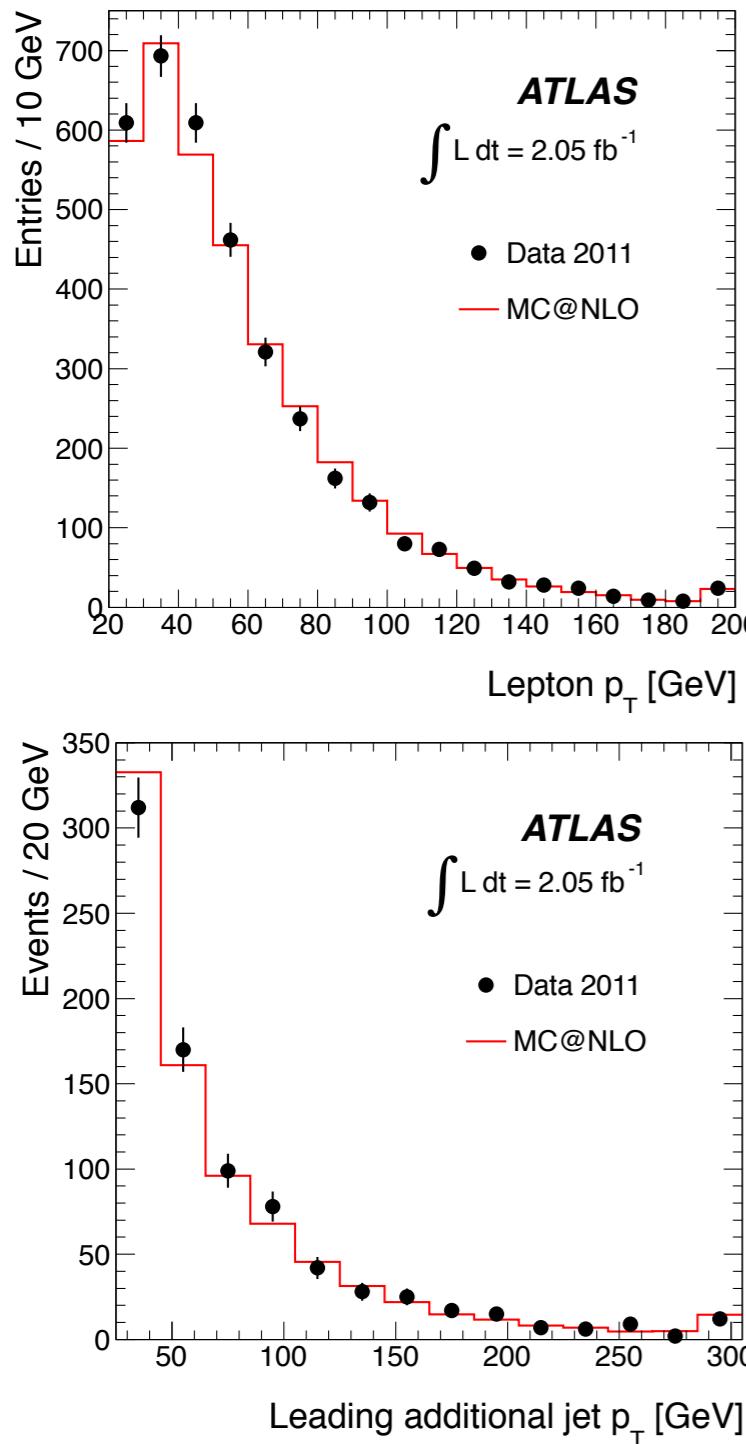


- Relative rapidity of  $W$  and hardest jet
- NLO is only LO for hardest jet

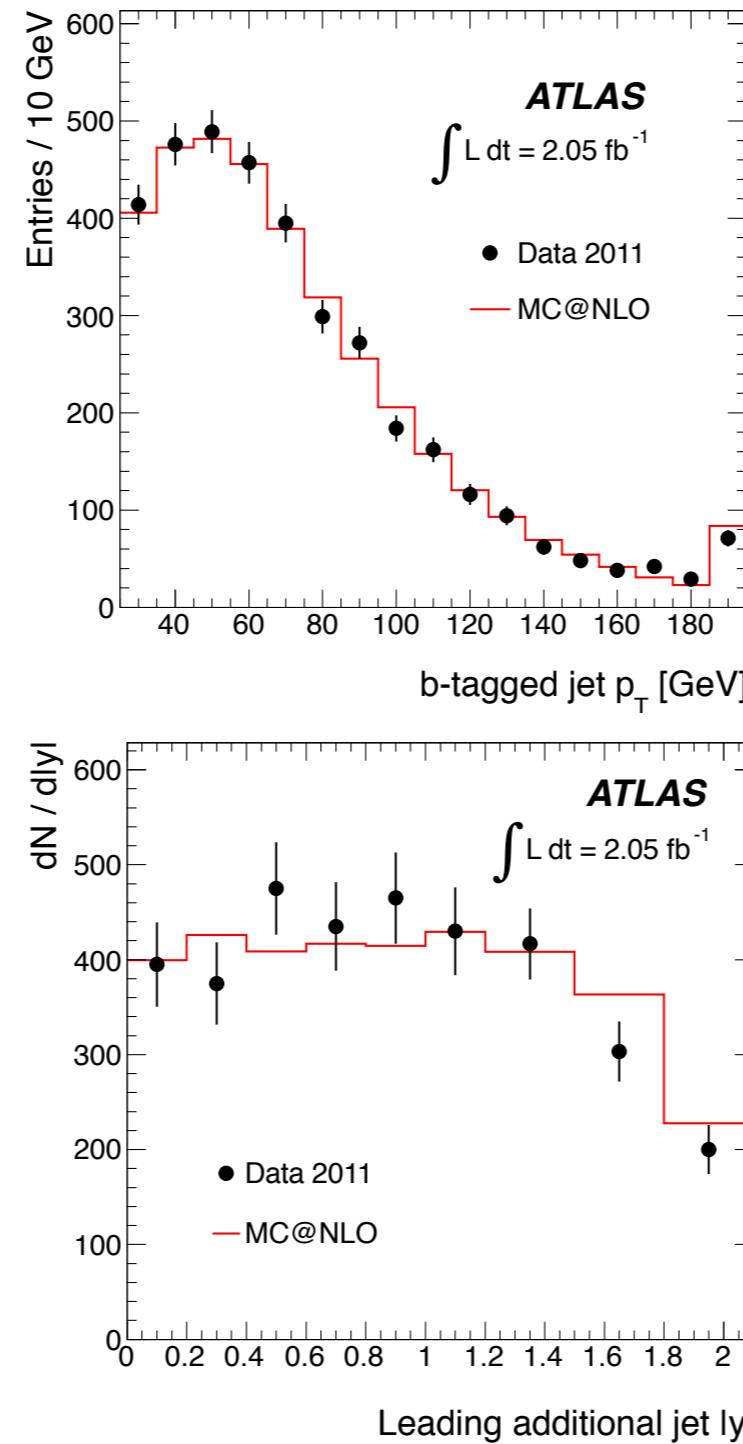
$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{E + p_L}{E - p_L} \right)$$

S Frixione & P Torrielli, JHEP 04(2010)110

# MC@NLO for $t\bar{t}$ at LHC



ATLAS, arXiv:1203.5015



- Top pair production
- ATLAS at LHC (7 TeV)
- Both decays leptonic:

$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b} l^+ l^- \nu\bar{\nu}$$

S Frixione, P Nason, BW, JHEP 08(2003)007

# POWHEG matching

$$d\sigma_{MC} = B(\Phi_B) d\Phi_B \left[ \Delta_{MC}(0) + \frac{R_{MC}(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)}{B(\Phi_B)} \Delta_{MC}(k_T(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)) d\Phi_R \right]$$

$$d\sigma_{PH} = \overline{B}(\Phi_B) d\Phi_B \left[ \Delta_R(0) + \frac{R(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)}{B(\Phi_B)} \Delta_R(k_T(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)) d\Phi_R \right]$$

$$\overline{B}(\Phi_B) = B(\Phi_B) + V(\Phi_B) + \int \left[ R(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) - \sum_i C_i(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) \right] d\Phi_R$$

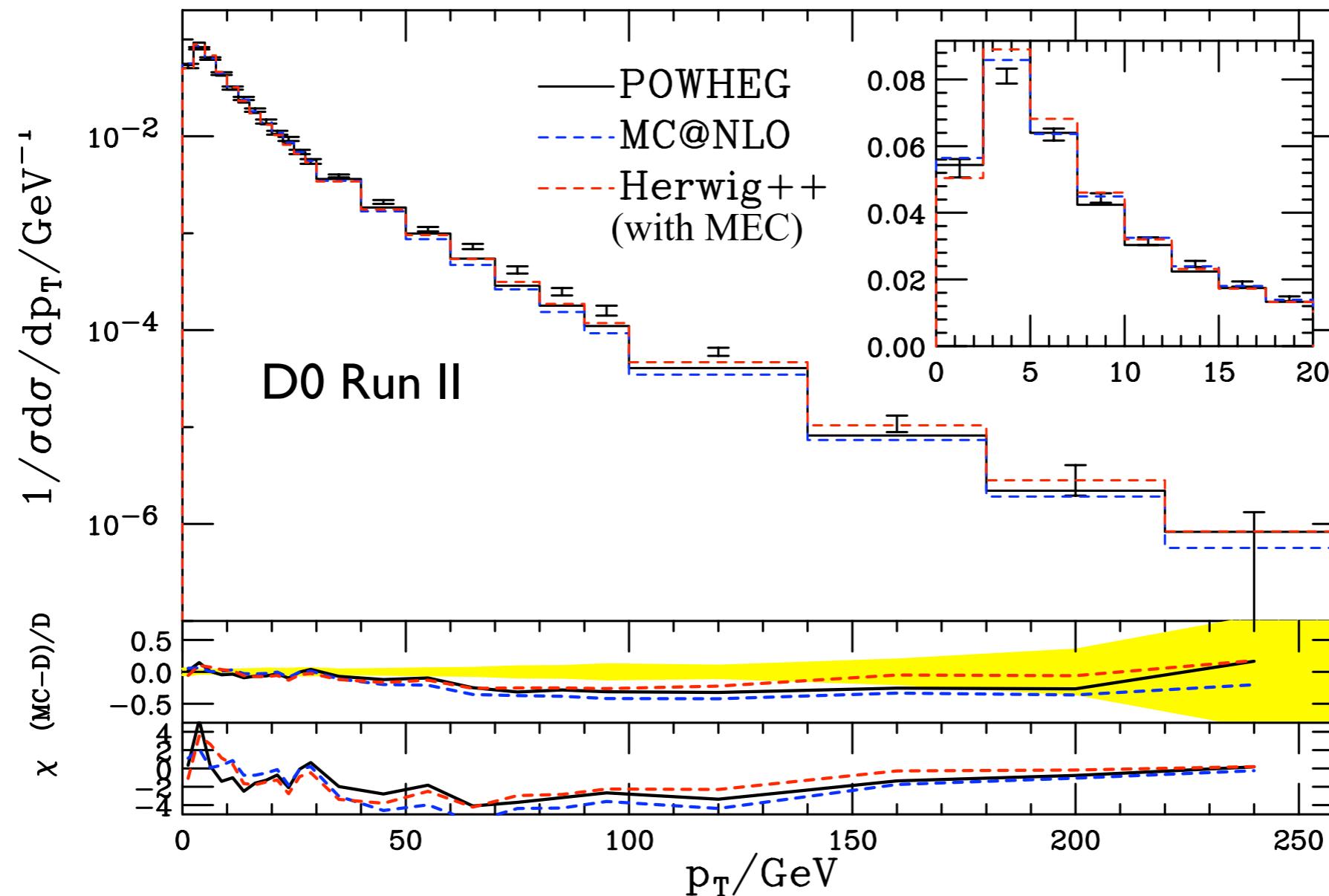
$$\Delta_R(p_T) = \exp \left[ - \int d\Phi_R \frac{R(\Phi_B, \Phi_R)}{B(\Phi_B)} \theta(k_T(\Phi_B, \Phi_R) - p_T) \right]$$

← Use exact R in Sudakov factor for hardest emission

- NLO with (almost) no negative weights      arbitrary NNLO
- High  $p_T$  always enhanced by  $K = \overline{B}/B = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S)$

P Nason, JHEP 11(2004)040

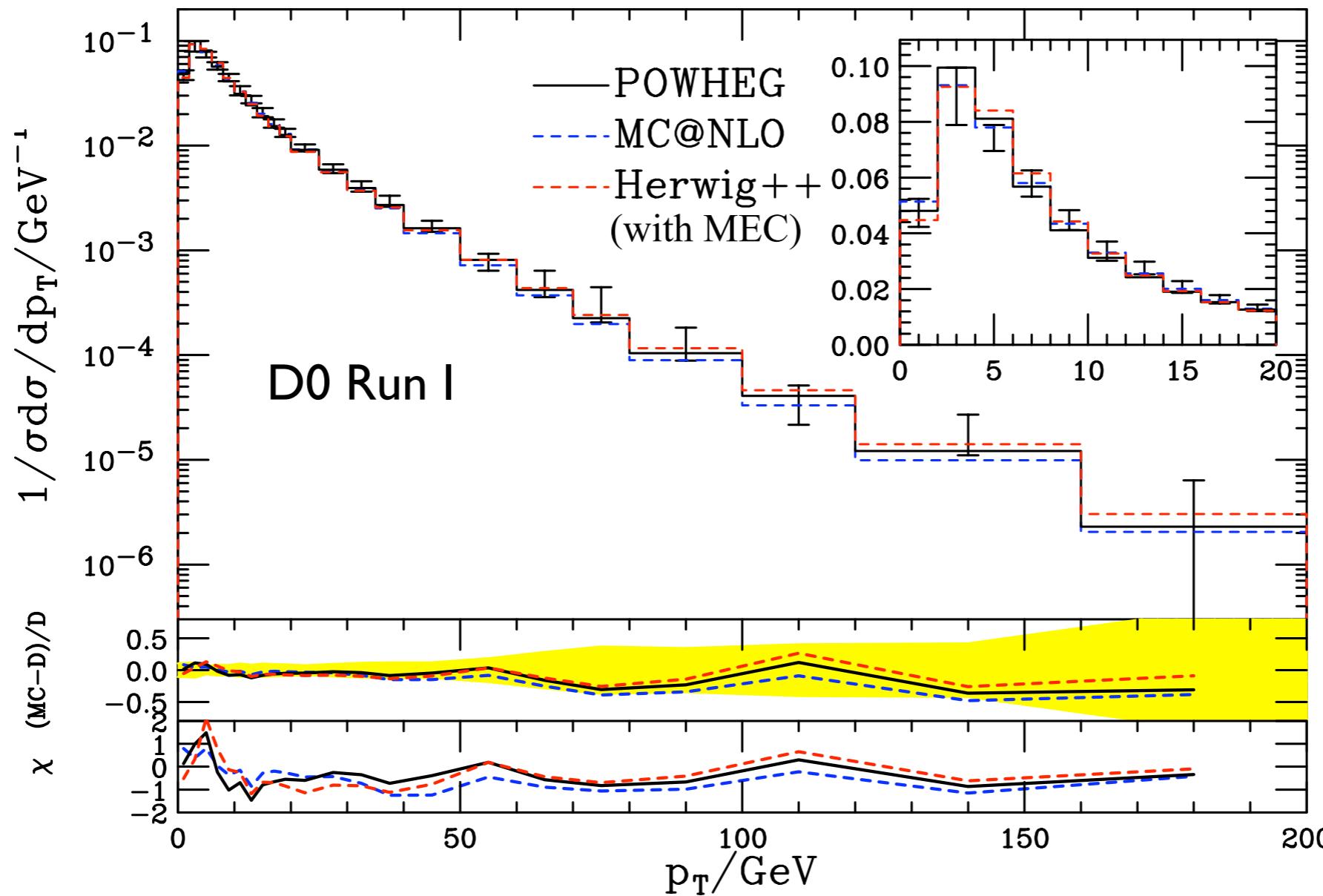
# $Z^0$ p<sub>T</sub> at Tevatron



- NLO is only LO at high p<sub>T</sub>

Hamilton, Richardson, Tully JHEP10(2008)015

# W PT at Tevatron

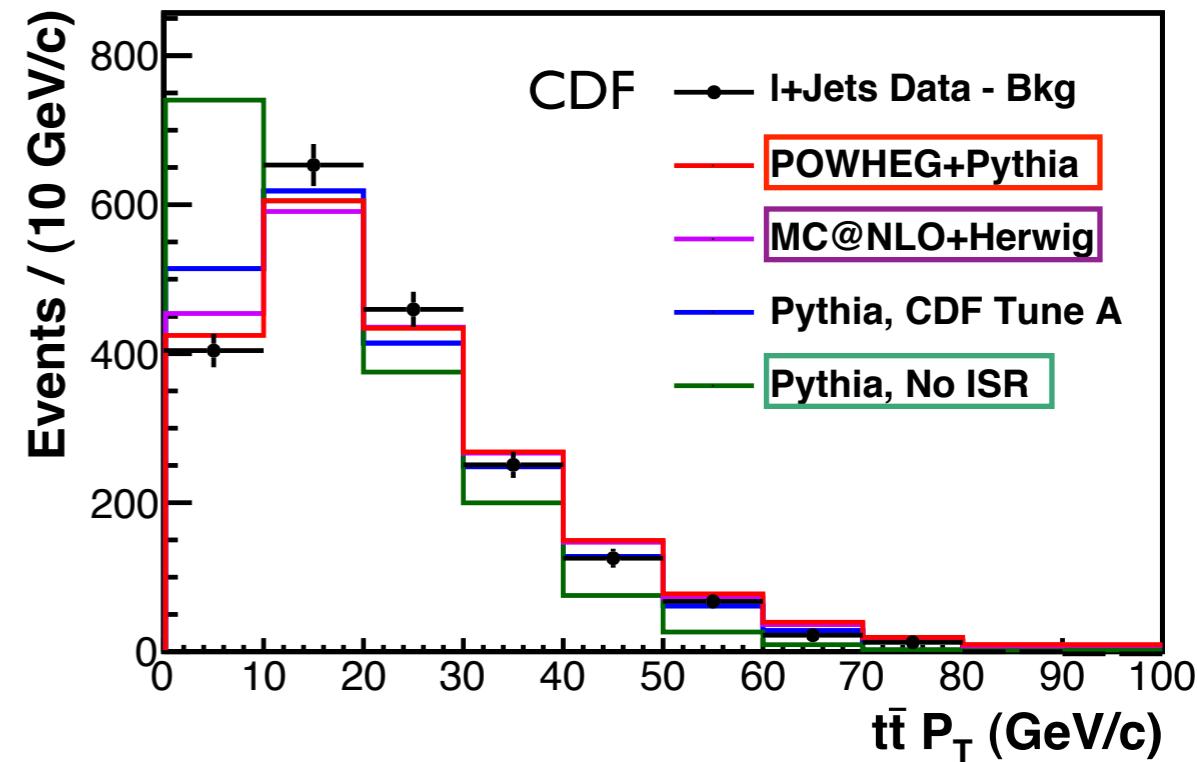
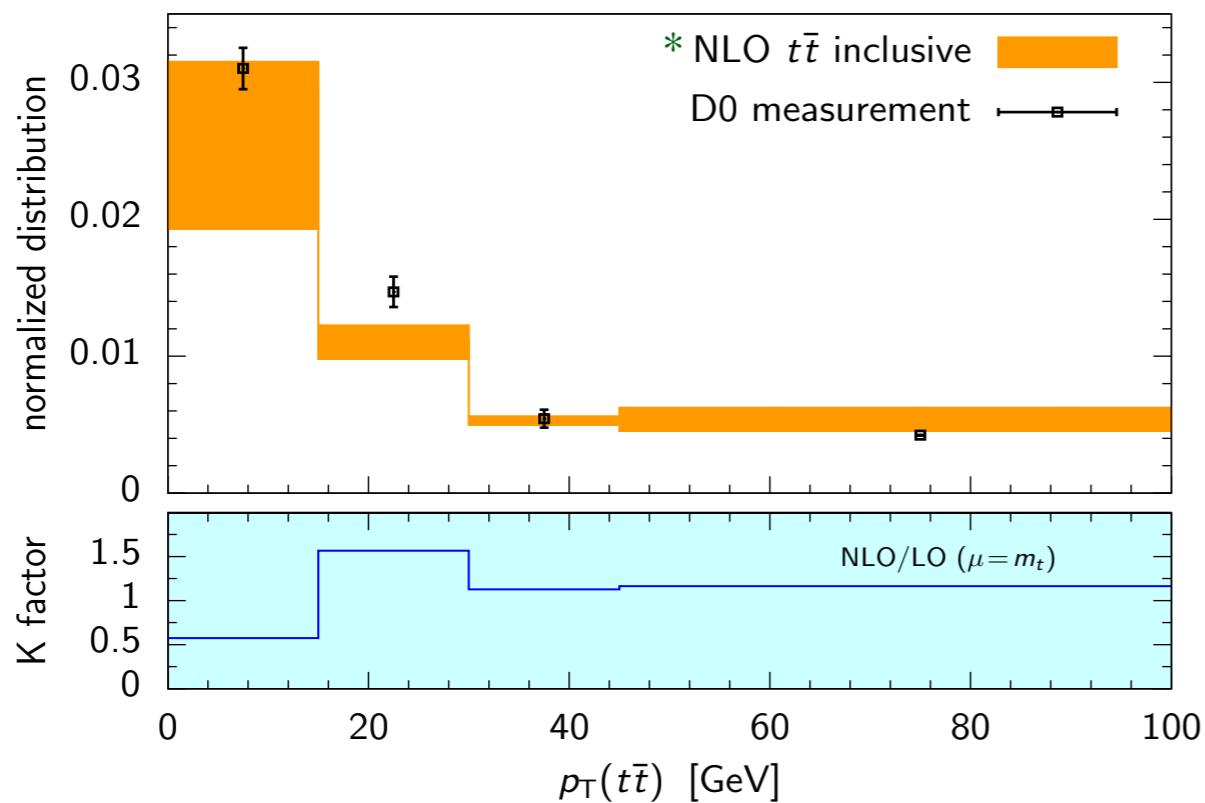
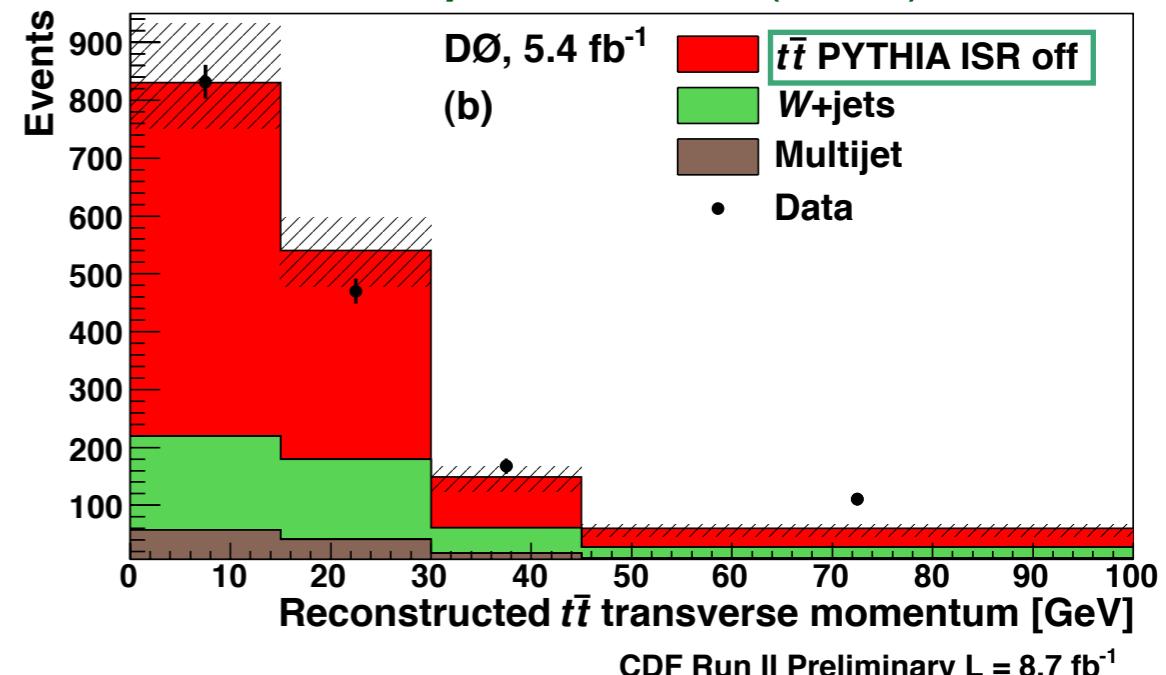
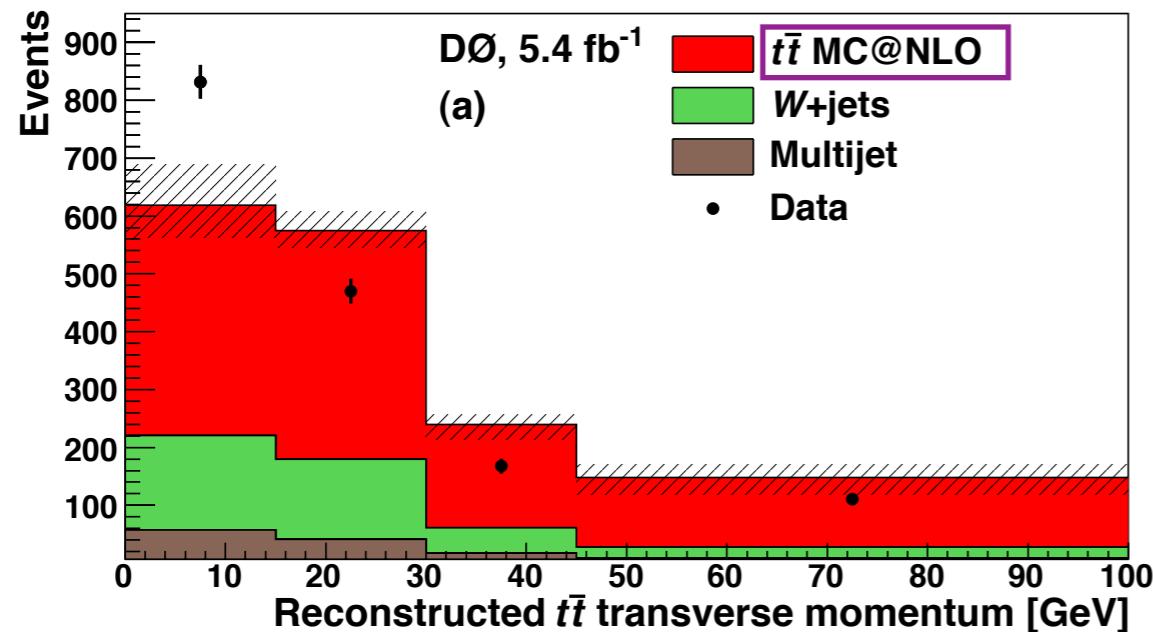


- All agree (tuned) at Tevatron

Hamilton, Richardson, Tully JHEP10(2008)015

# $t\bar{t}$ $p_T$ at Tevatron

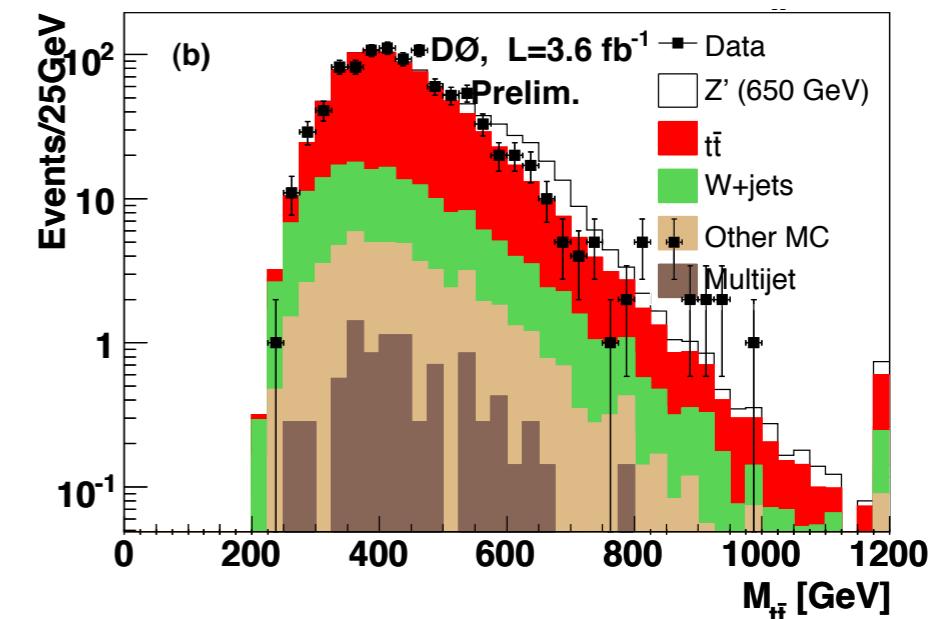
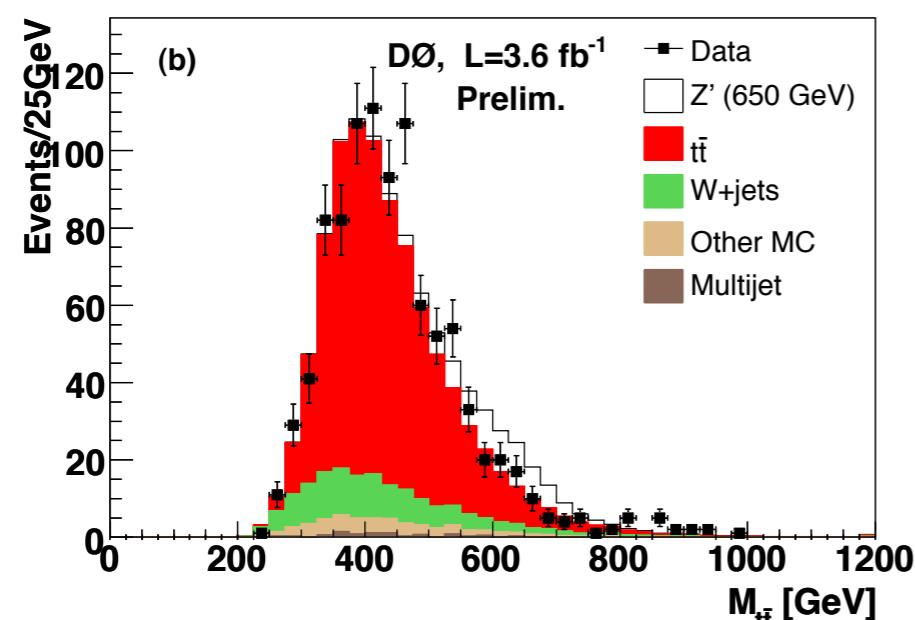
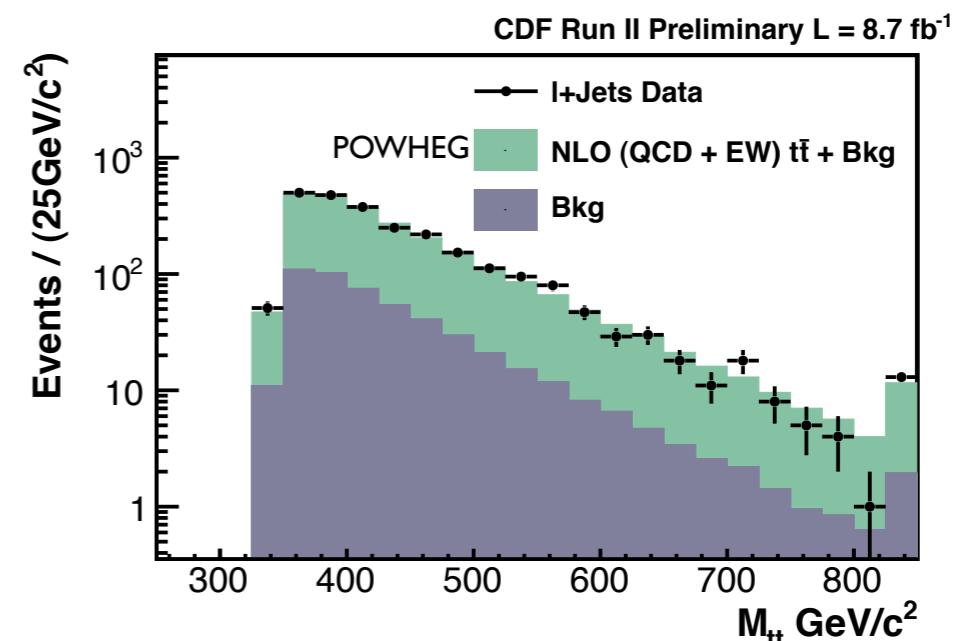
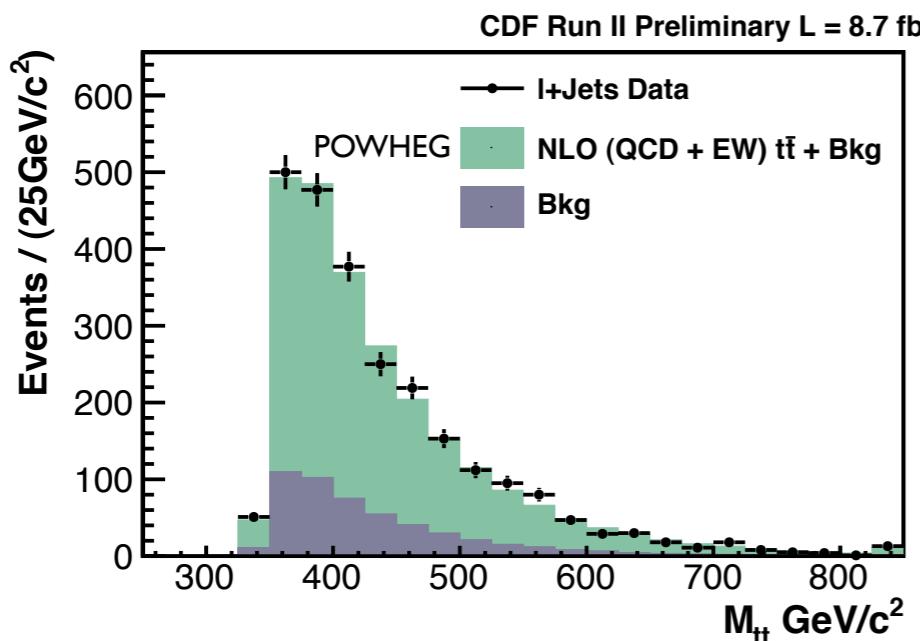
D0, Phys Rev D84 (2011) 112005



\* Melnikov, Scharf, Schulze, arXiv:1111.4991

● CDF/D0 disagreement

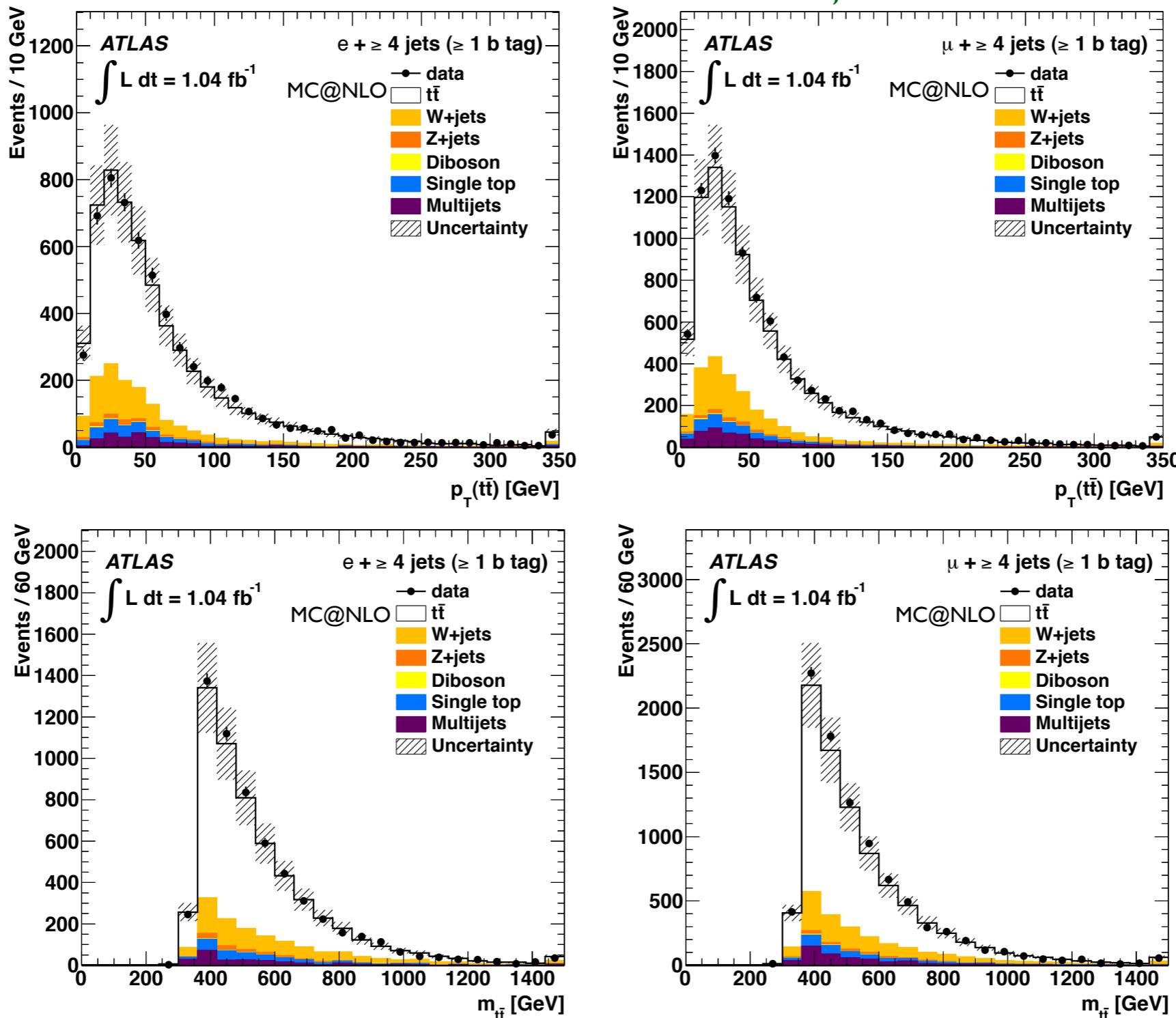
# $t\bar{t}$ inv. mass at Tevatron



- CDF/D0 in agreement with SM

# $t\bar{t}$ p<sub>T</sub> & m<sub>t̄</sub> at LHC

ATLAS, arXiv:1203.5015



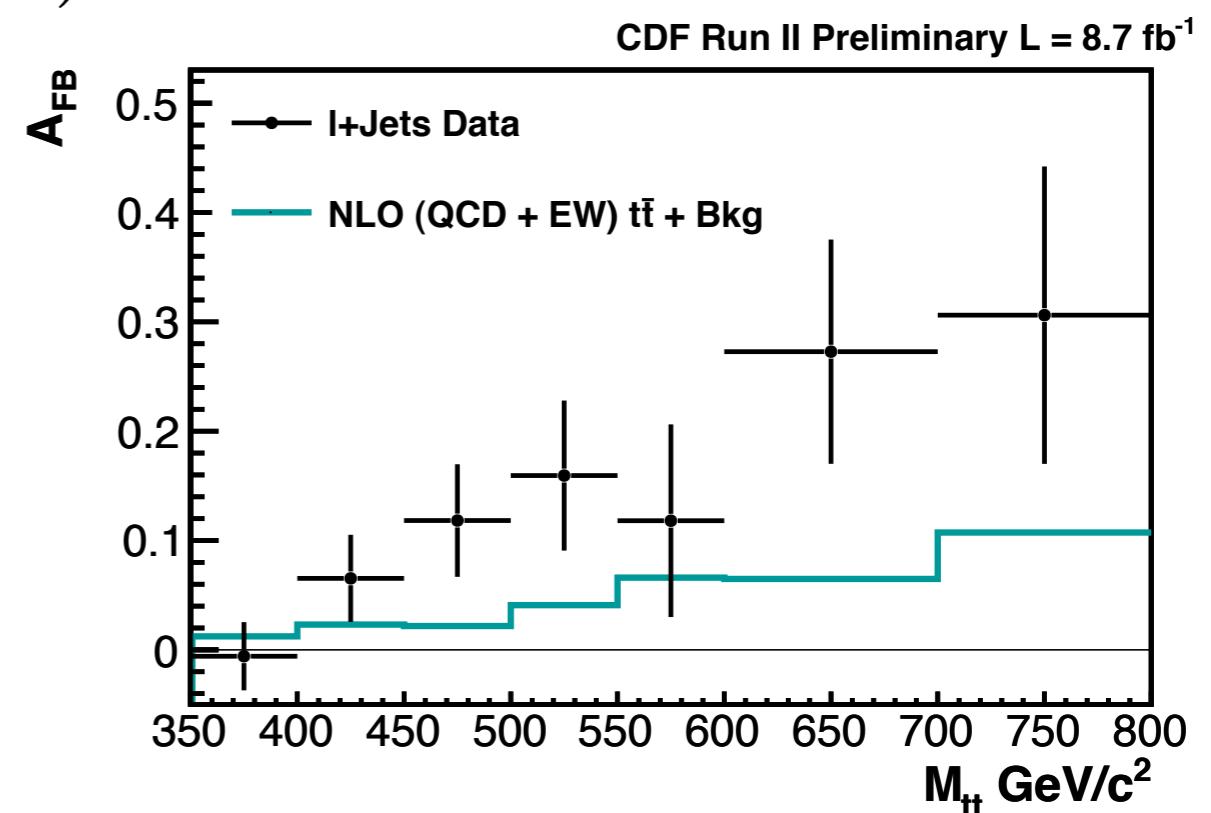
- Good agreement with MC@NLO

# $t\bar{t}$ A<sub>FB</sub> at Tevatron

$$A_{\text{FB}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$$

$$\Delta y = y_t - y_{\bar{t}}$$

	MC@NLO	POWHEG	MCFM
Inclusive	0.067	0.066	0.073
$ \Delta y  < 1$	0.047	0.043	0.049
$ \Delta y  > 1$	0.130	0.139	0.150
$M_{t\bar{t}} < 450 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0.054	0.047	0.050
$M_{t\bar{t}} > 450 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0.089	0.100	0.110



- SM disagreement??

# t̄t A<sub>FB</sub> at Tevatron

Selection	NLO (QCD+EW)	CDF, 5.3 fb <sup>-1</sup>	D0, 5.4 fb <sup>-1</sup>	CDF, 8.7 fb <sup>-1</sup>
Inclusive	6.6	15.8 ± 7.4	19.6 ± 6.5	16.2 ± 4.7
$M_{tt} < 450 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	4.7	-11.6 ± 15.3	7.8 ± 4.8 (Bkg. Subtracted)	7.8 ± 5.4
$M_{tt} \geq 450 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	10.0	47.5 ± 11.2	11.5 ± 6.0 (Bkg. Subtracted)	29.6 ± 6.7
$ \Delta y  < 1.0$	4.3	2.6 ± 11.8	6.1 ± 4.1 (Bkg. Subtracted)	8.8 ± 4.7
$ \Delta y  \geq 1.0$	13.9	61.1 ± 25.6	21.3 ± 9.7 (Bkg. Subtracted)	43.3 ± 10.9

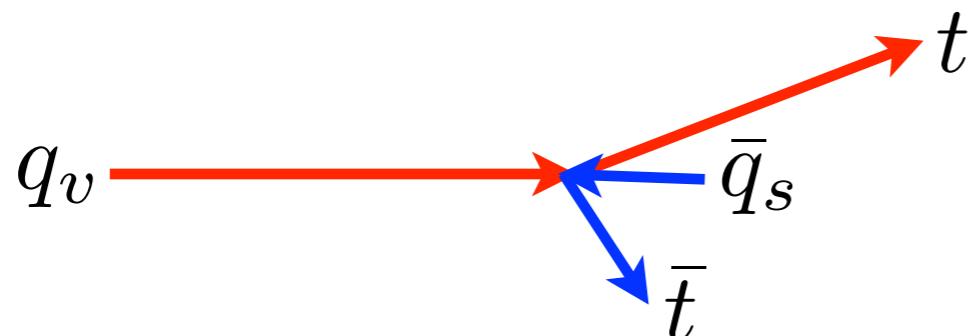
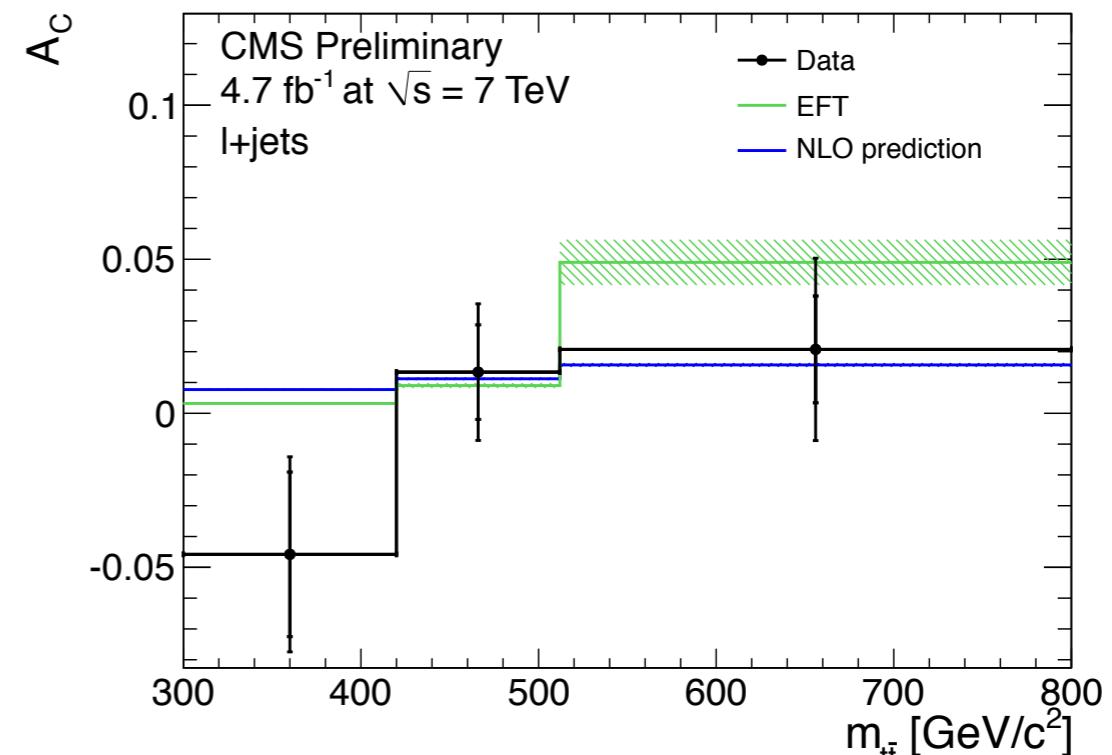
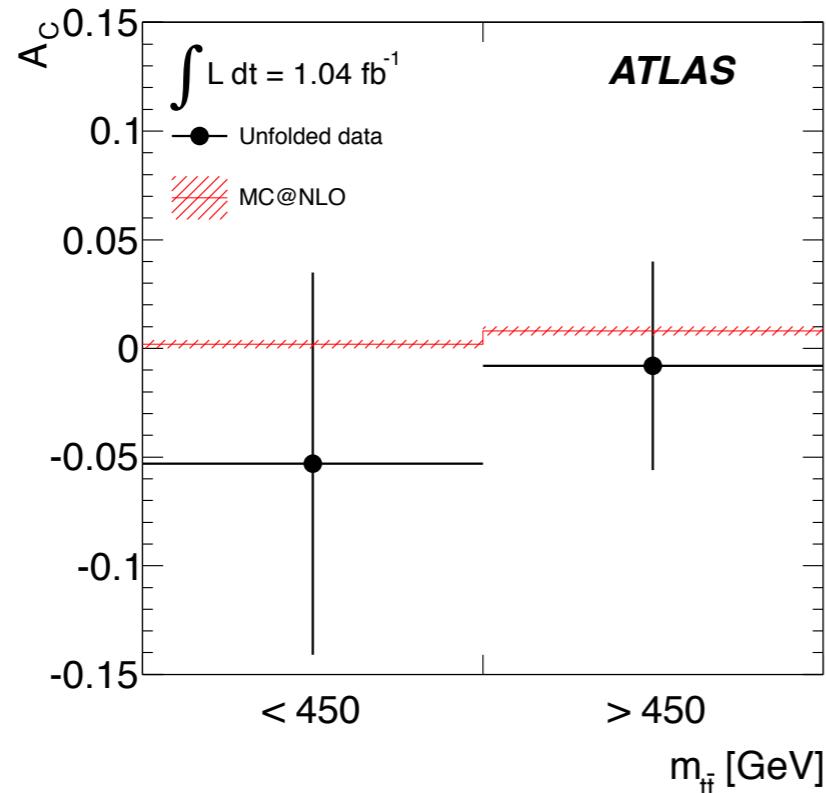
- CDF/D0 disagreement?

D. Mietlicki, Moriond, 2012

# $t\bar{t}$ Ac at LHC

$$A_C = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)}$$

$$\Delta|y| \equiv |y_t| - |\bar{y}_t|$$

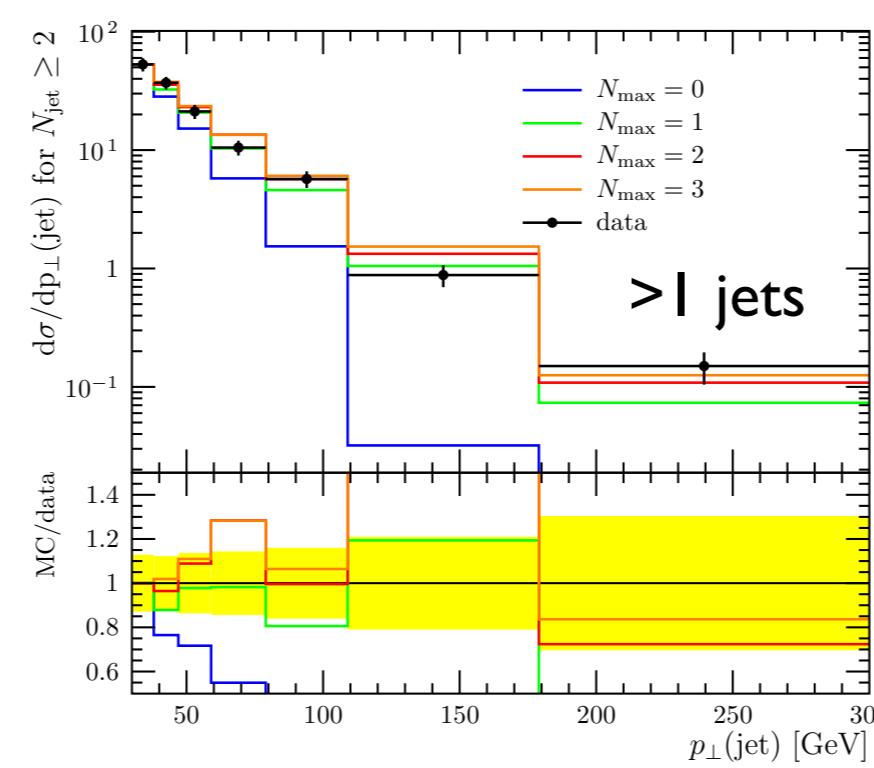
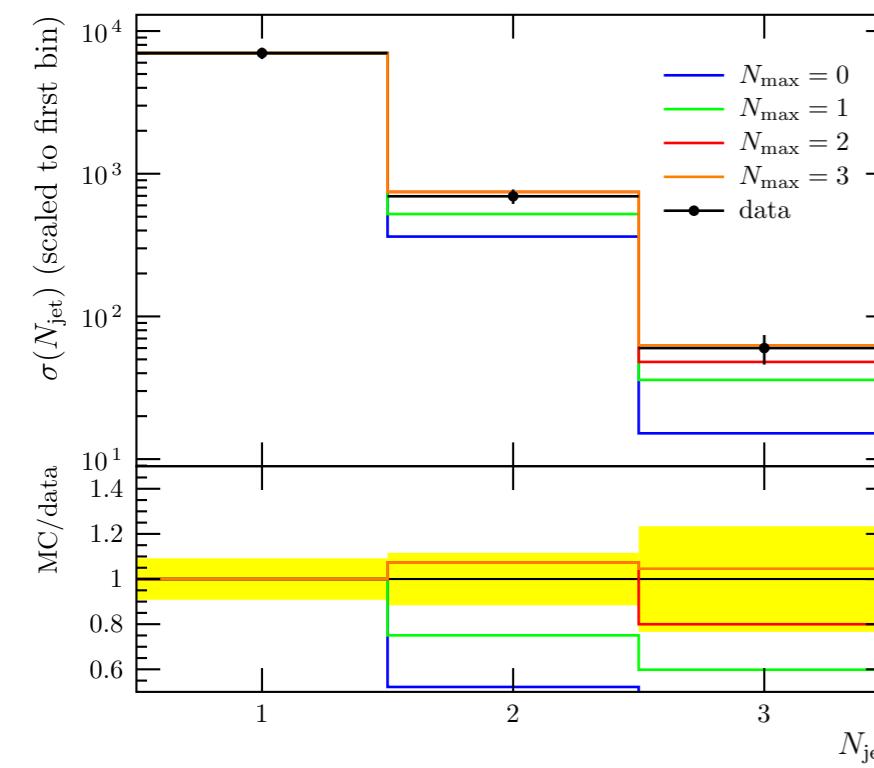
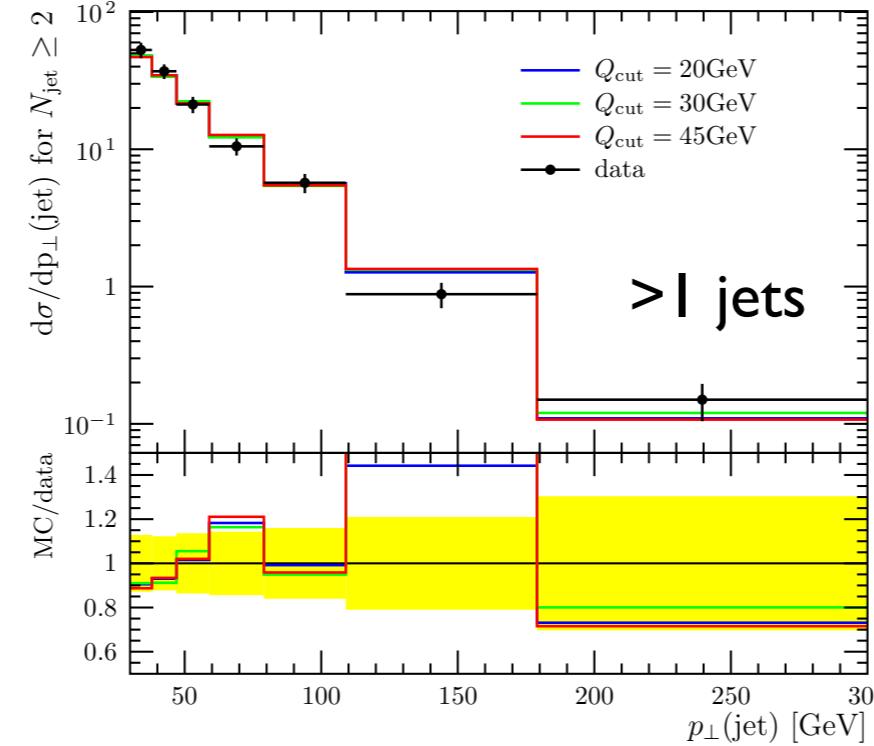
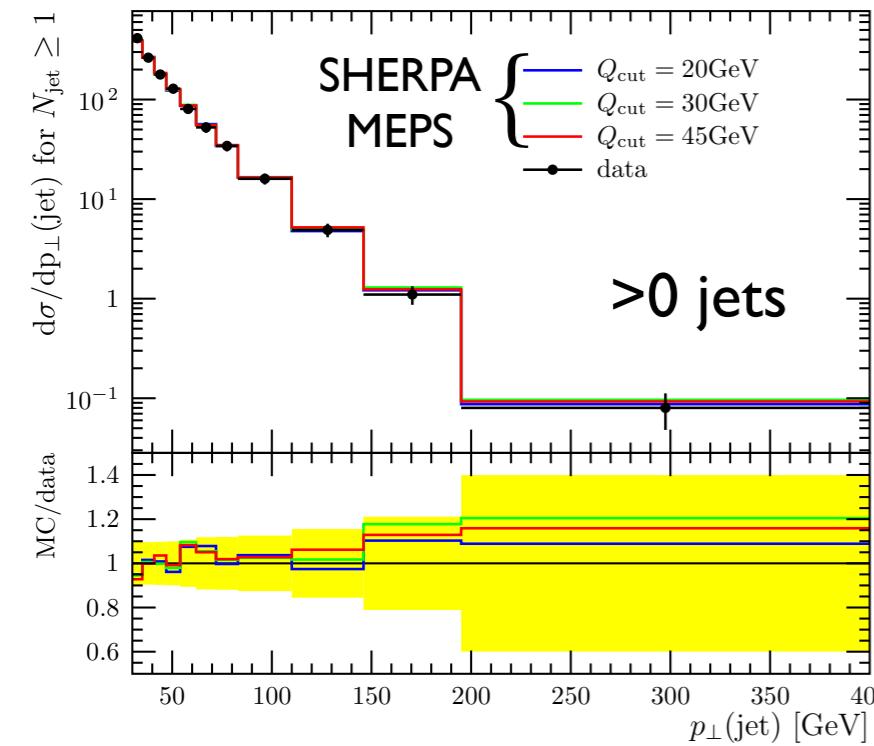


- Much smaller than  $A_{FB}$
- Good SM agreement (so far)

# Multijet Merging

- Objective: merge LO n-jet matrix elements\* with parton showers such that
    - ✿ Multijet rates for jet resolution  $> Q_{\text{cut}}$  (see later) are correct to LO (up to  $N_{\text{max}}$ )
    - ✿ Shower generates jet structure below  $Q_{\text{cut}}$
    - ✿ Leading (and next)  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  dependence cancels
- \* ALPGEN or MadGraph,  $n \leq N_{\text{max}}$
- CKKW: Catani et al., JHEP 11(2001)063  
-L: Lonnblad, JHEP 05(2002)063  
MLM: Mangano et al., NP B632(2002)343

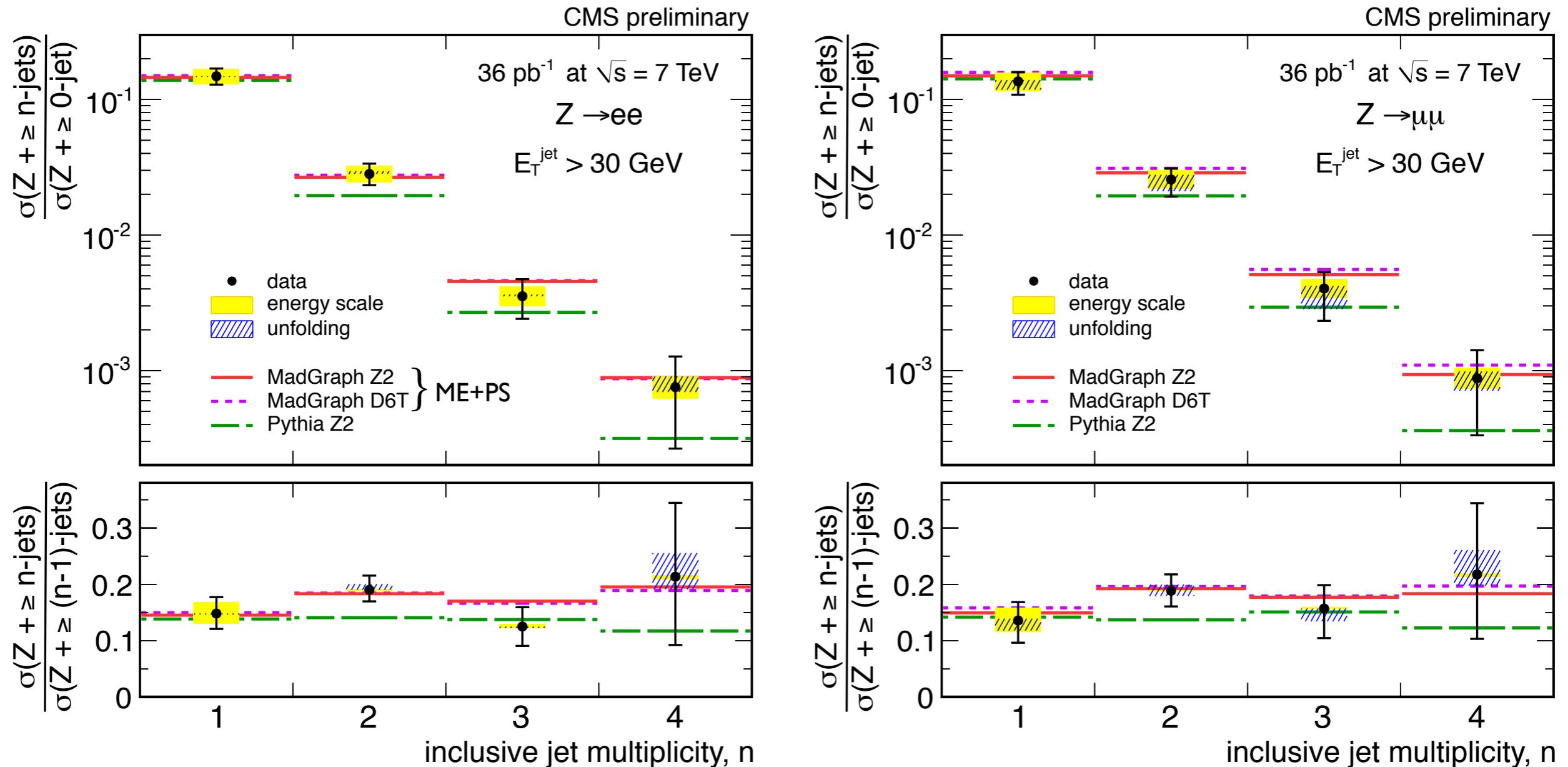
# $Z^0 + \text{jets}$ at Tevatron



- ‘MEPS’=CKKW
- CDF run II data
- Jet  $p_{\text{T}}$  and  $N_{\text{jets}}$
- Insensitive to  $Q_{\text{cut}}$
- Insensitive to  $N_{\text{max}} > 1$

Hoeche, Krauss, Schumann,  
Siegert, JHEP05(2009)053

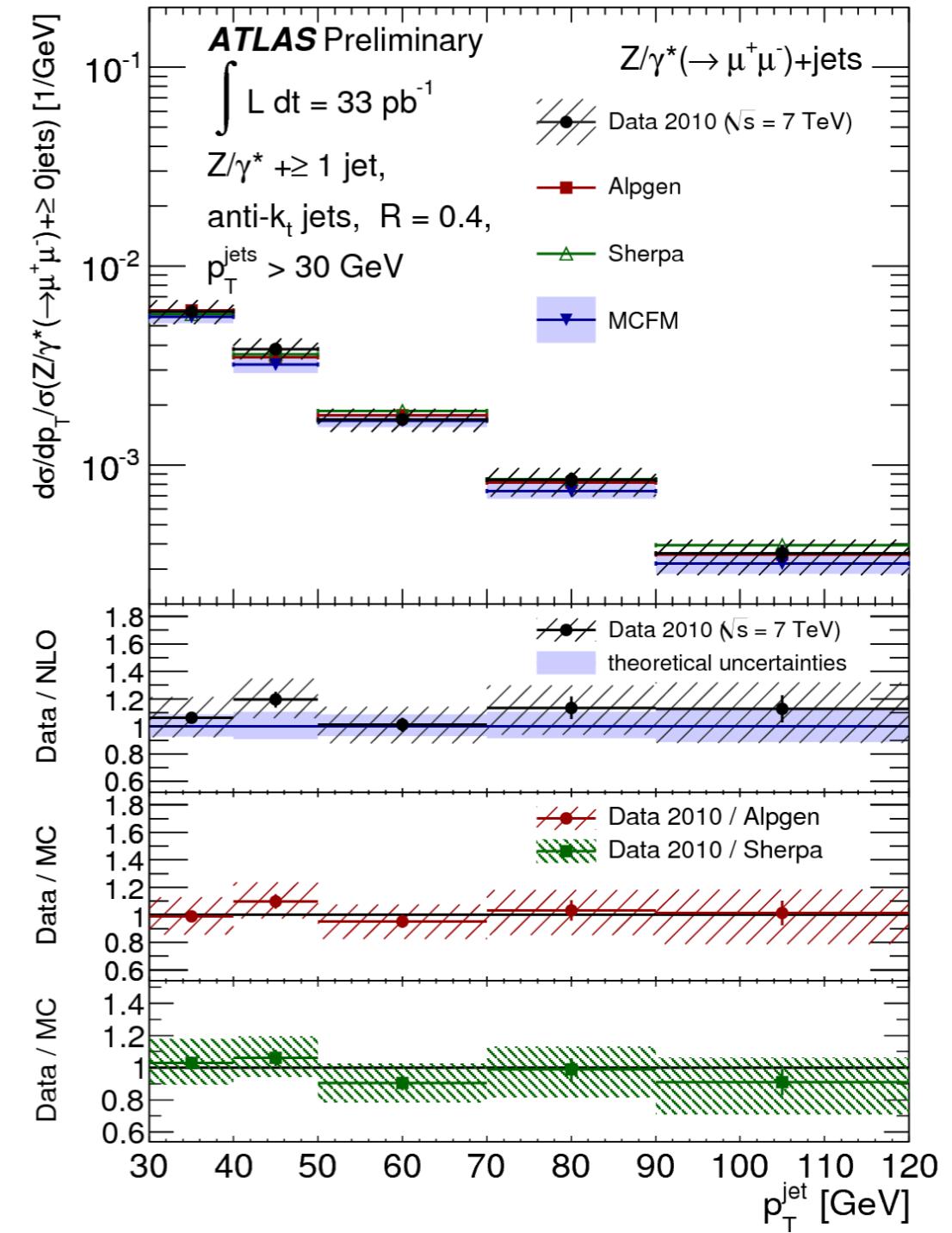
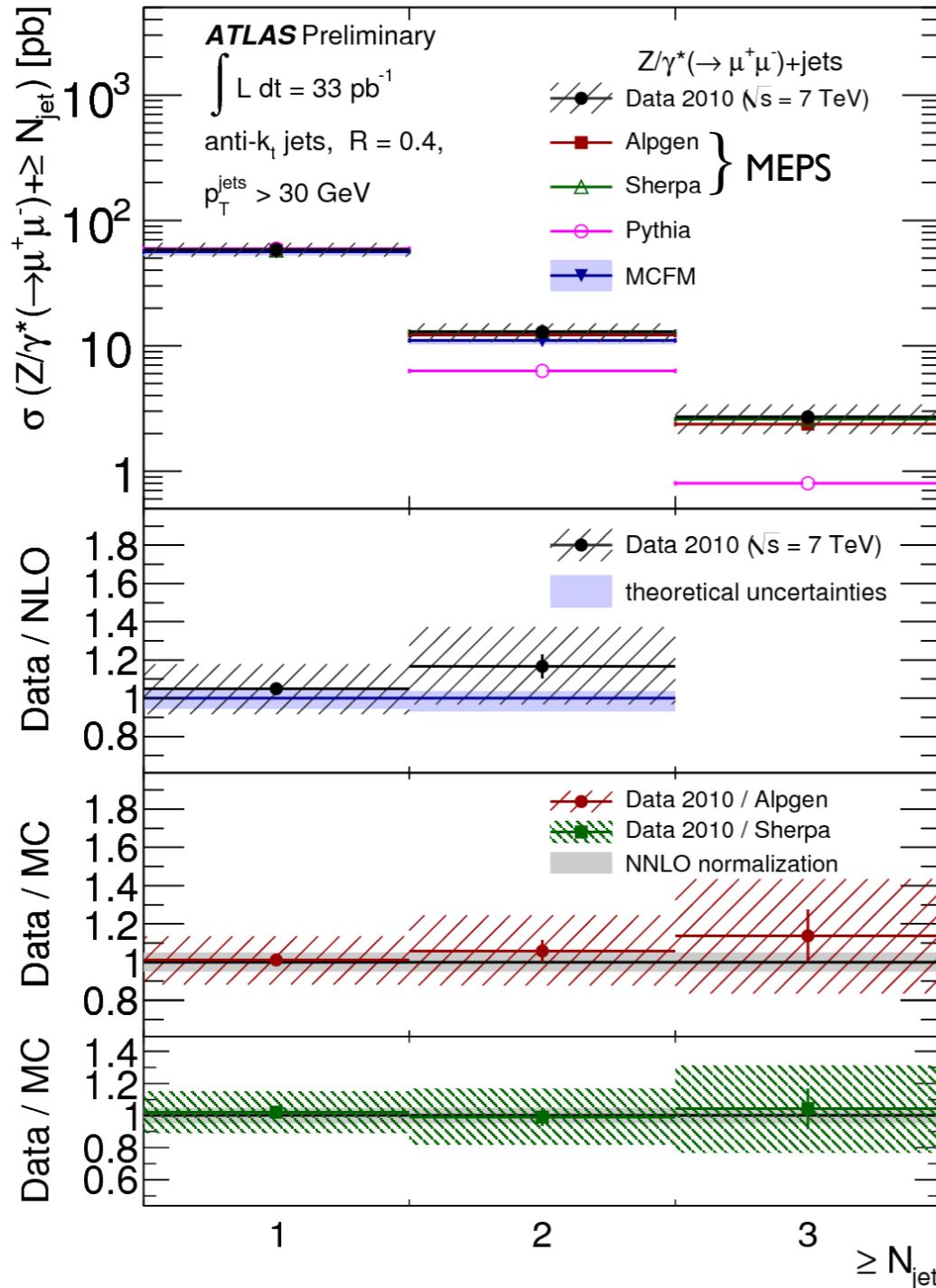
# Z<sup>0</sup>+jets at LHC (CMS)



- Inclusive jet rates (anti- $k_t$ -algorithm -- see later)
- “Very good agreement with predictions from ME+PS simulation, while PS alone starts to fail for  $n_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$ ”

V Ciulli, Moriond, 2011

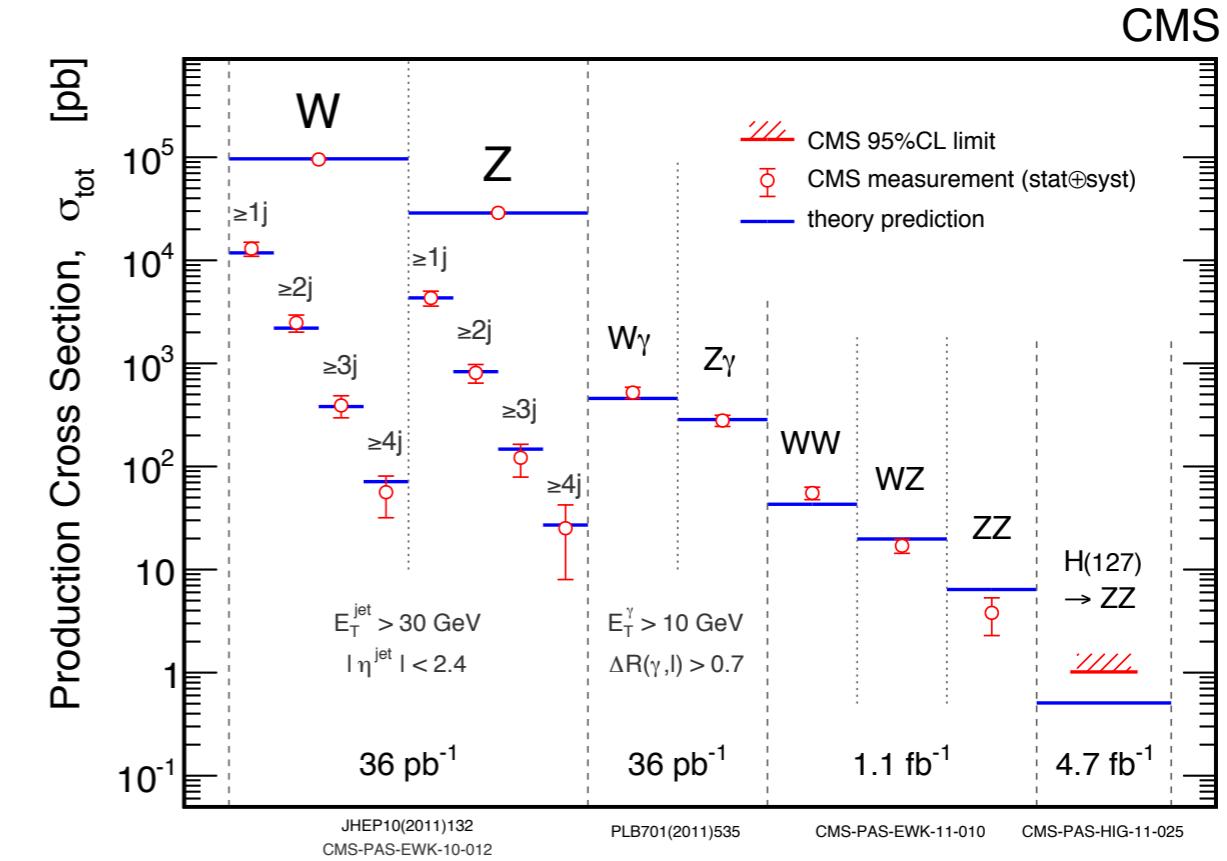
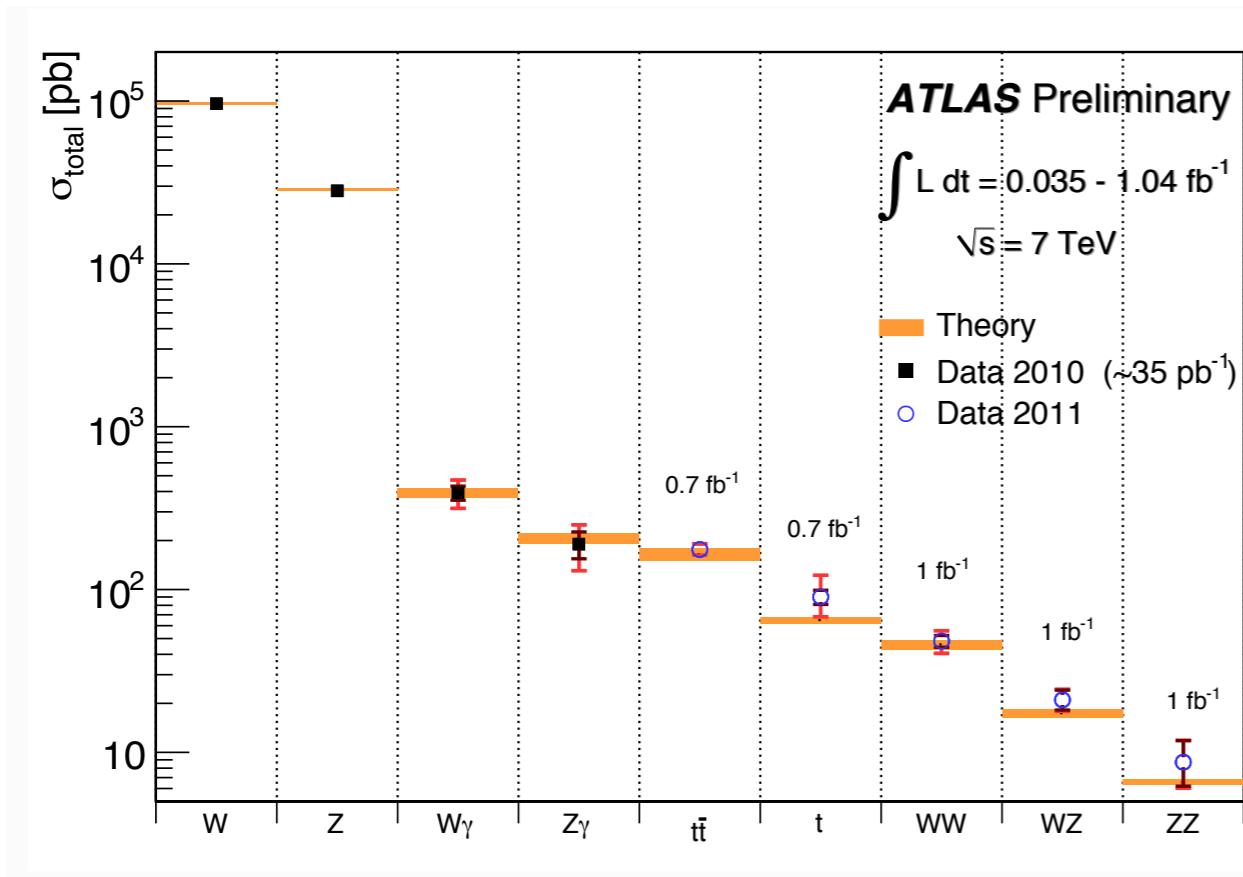
# Z<sup>0</sup>+jets at LHC (ATLAS)



- Same conclusion as CMS ...

N Makovec, Moriond, 2011

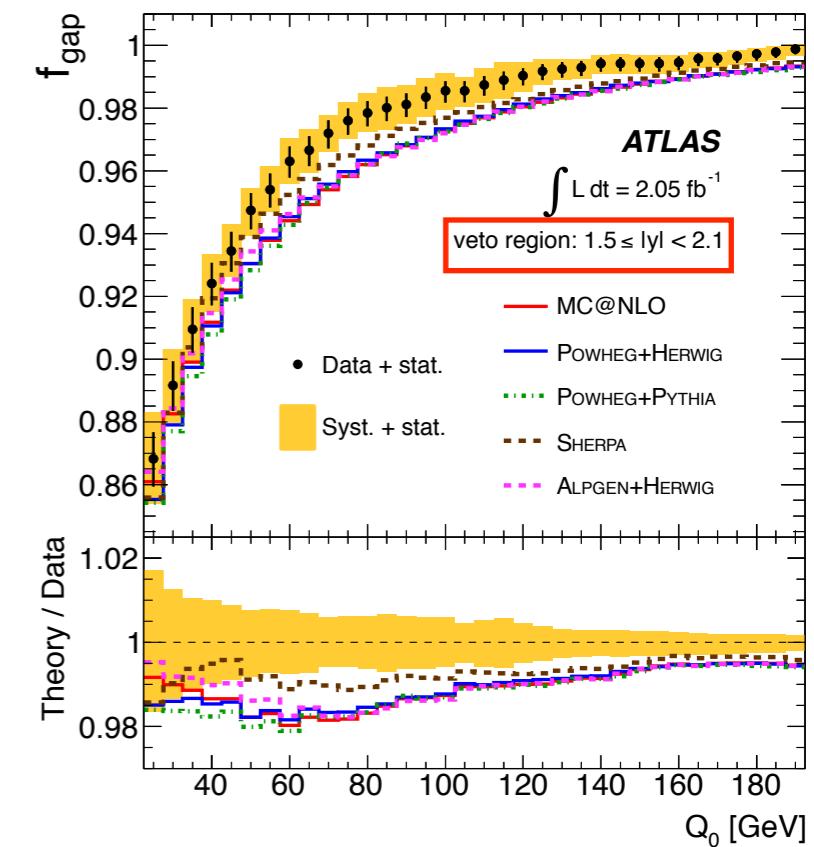
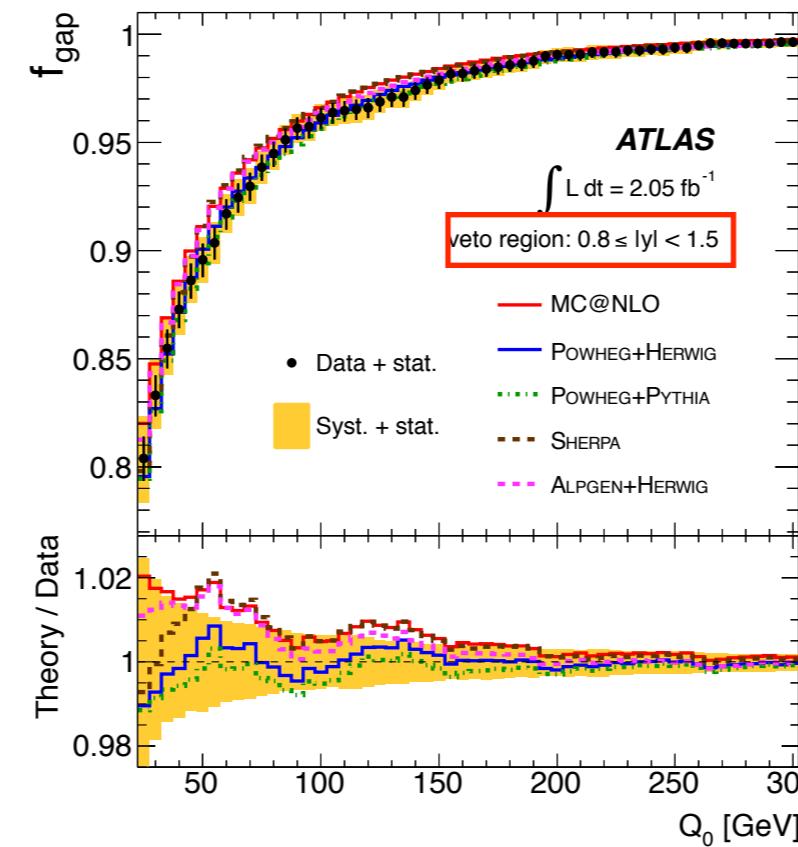
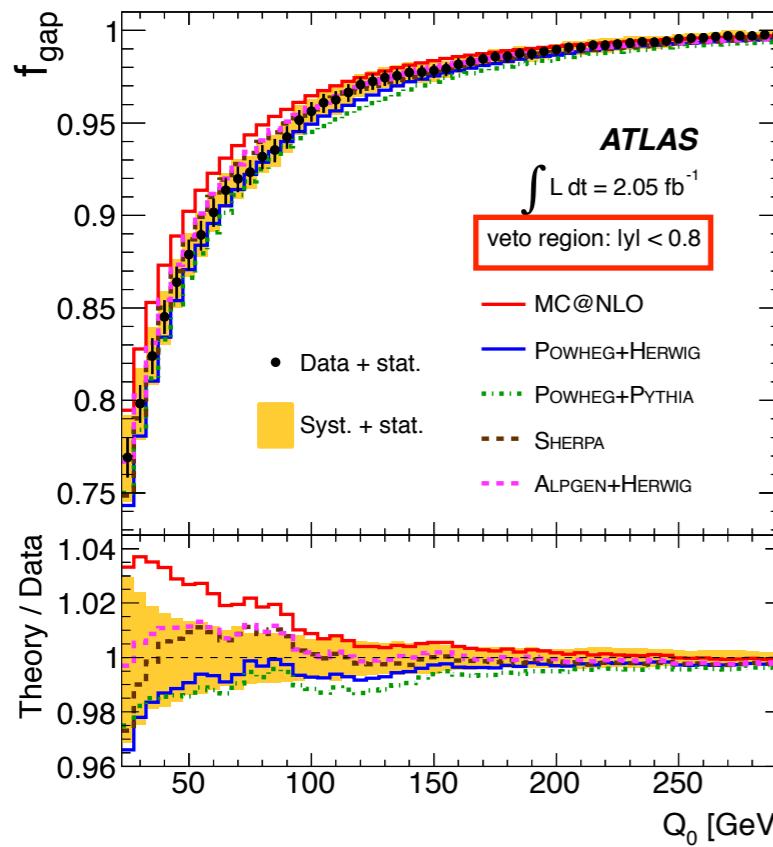
# LHC Cross Section Summary



- Surprisingly good agreement
- No sign of non-Standard-Model phenomena (yet)

# But all is not perfect ...

- $f_{\text{gap}}(Q_0)$  = fraction of  $t\bar{t}$  events having no extra jets with  $p_T > Q_0$  in rapidity interval

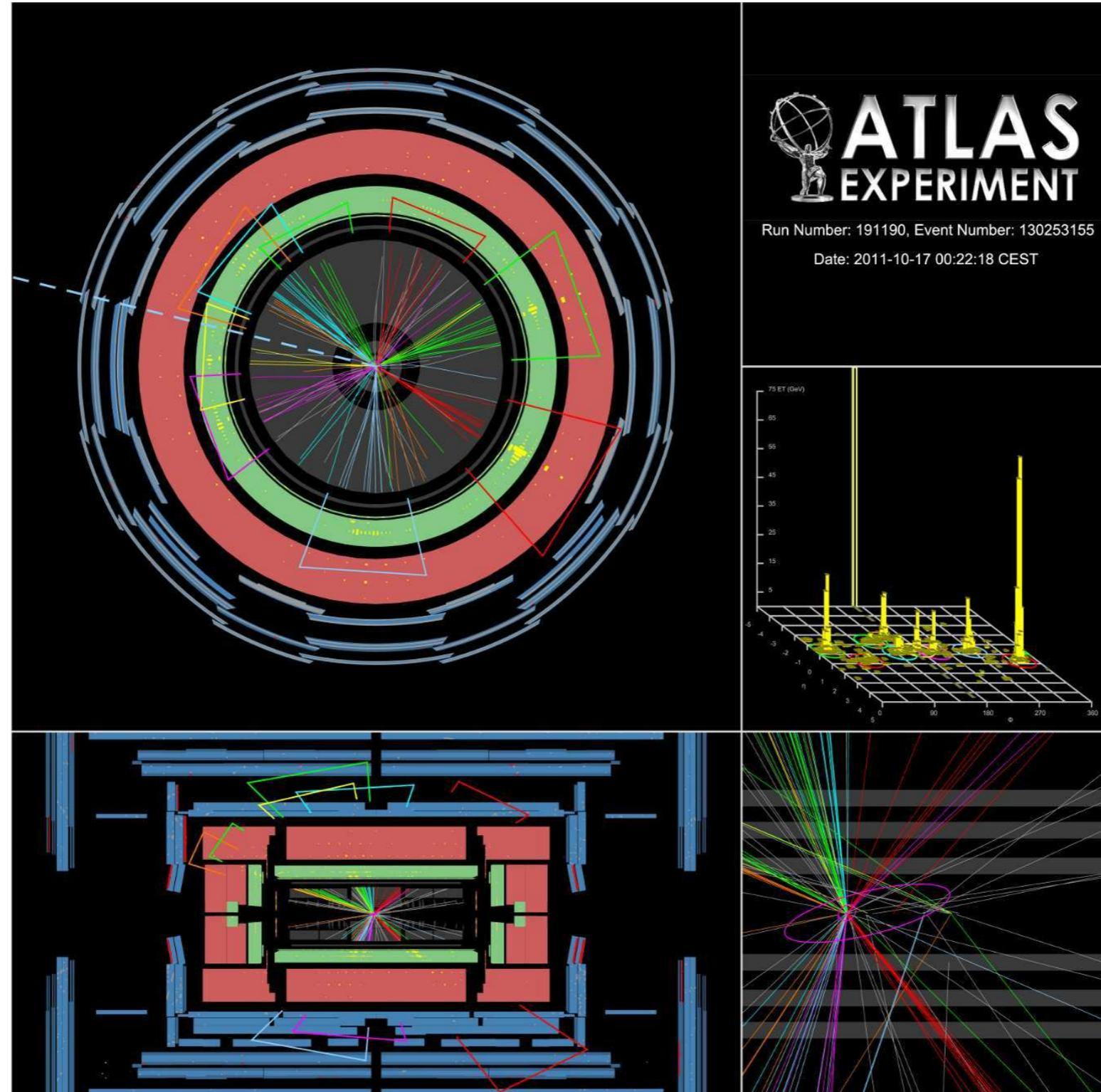


- MC@NLO predicts too little central jet activity
- All matching/merging schemes predict too much forward
- Combined NLO+multijet merging is clearly needed

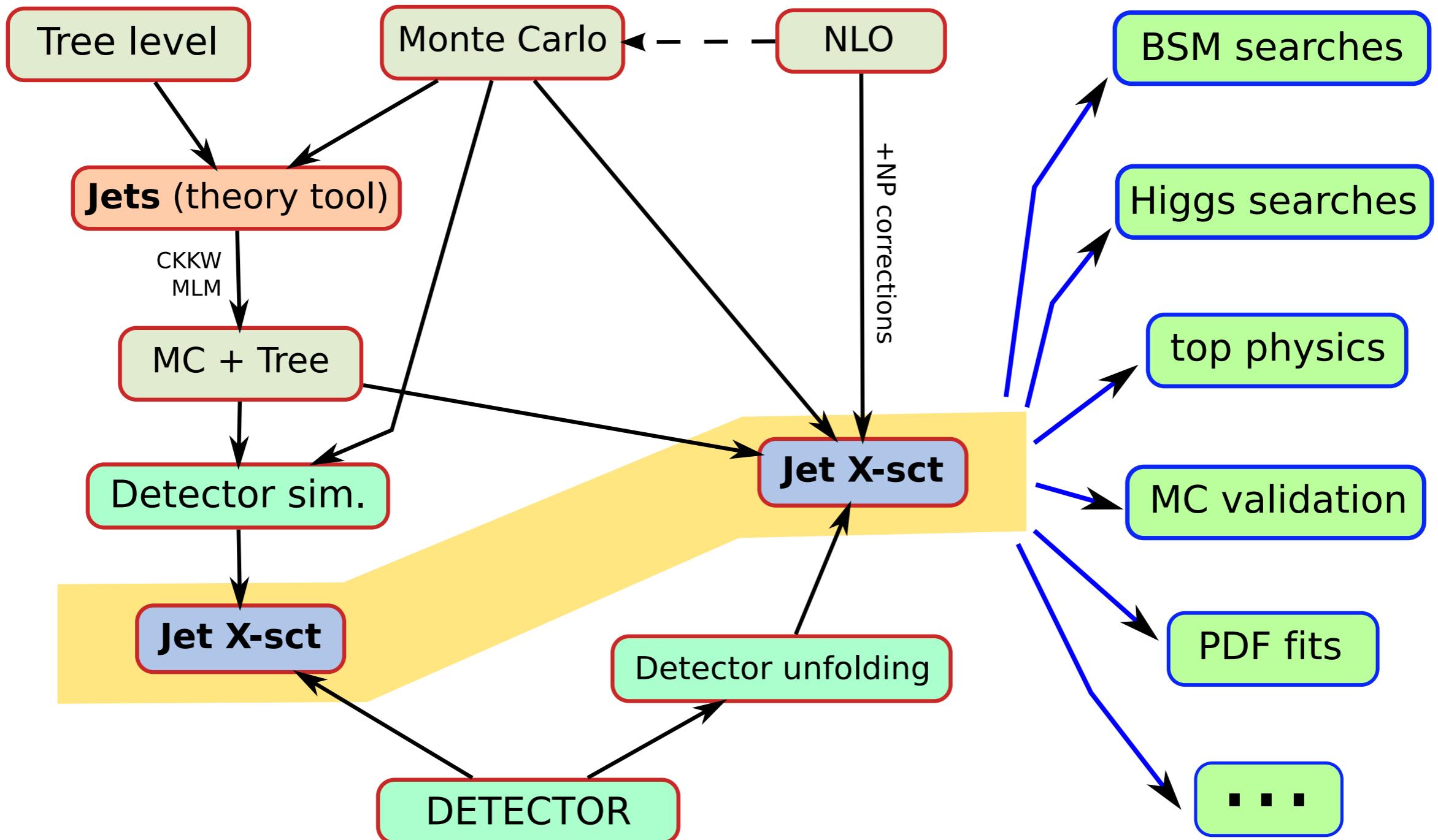
ATLAS, arXiv:1203.5015

# Jet Finding Algorithms

# A 7-jet event



# Importance of Jets

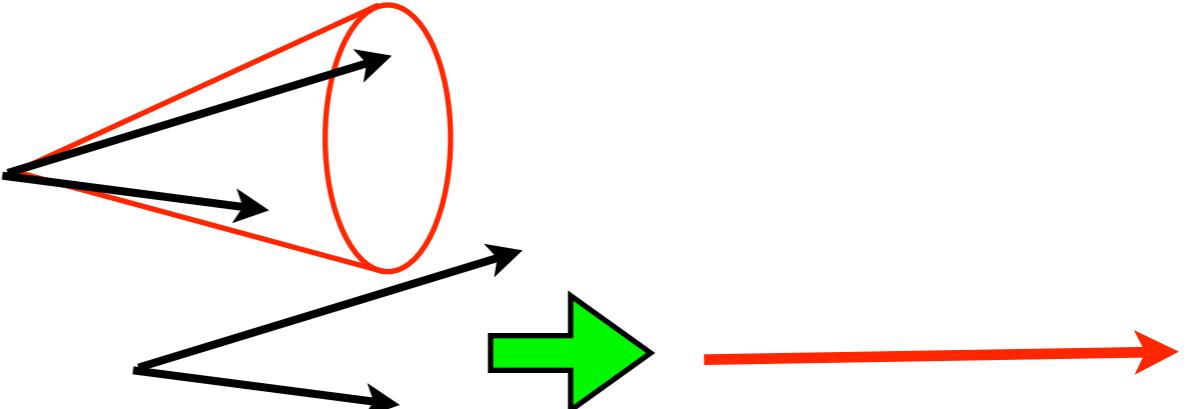


G Salam, 2011

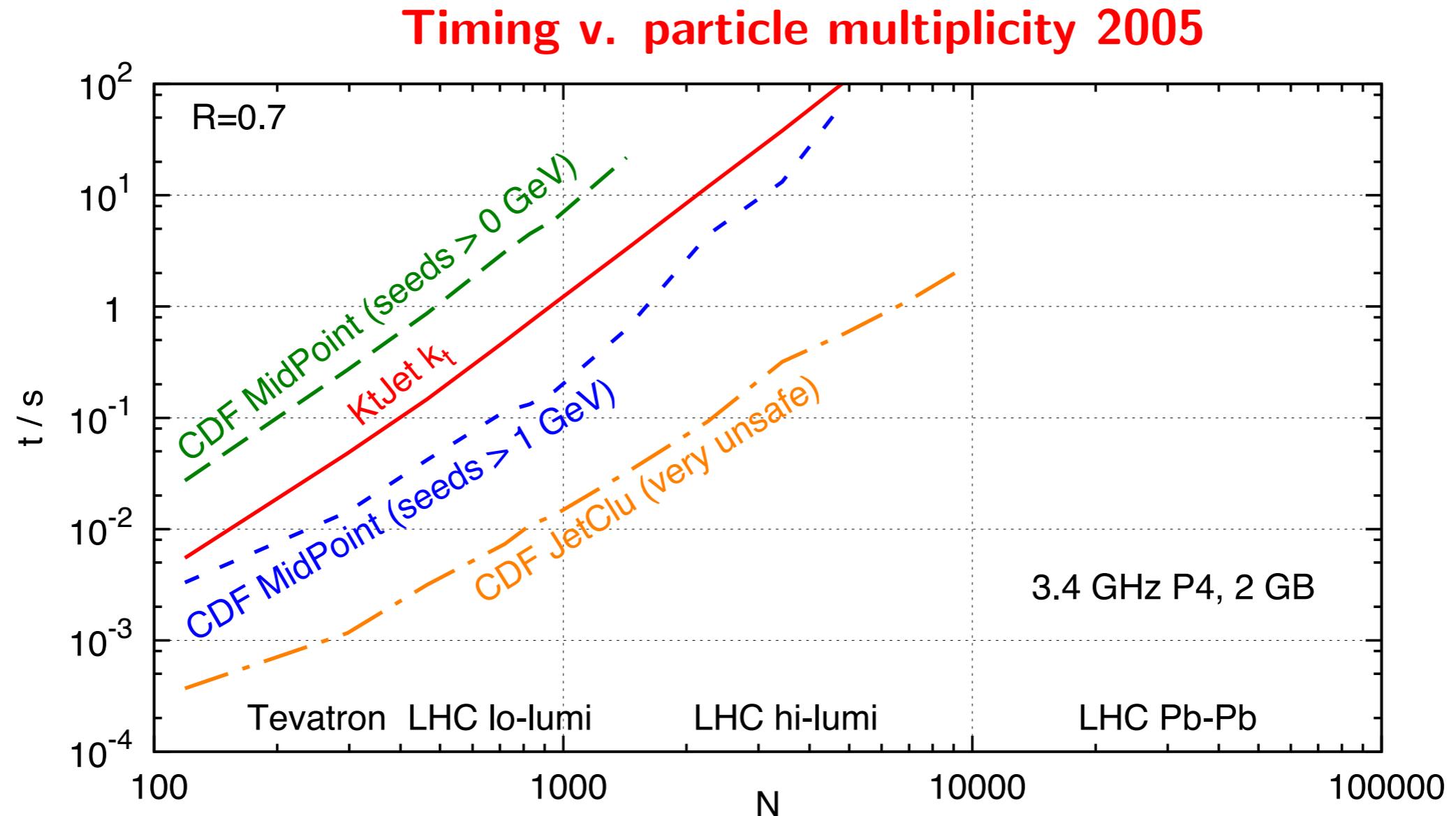
# Jet cross sections should be:

- Computable from data in reasonable time
- Calculable in perturbative QCD
- Robust against non-perturbative effects
- Correctable for underlying event

# Jet Algorithms

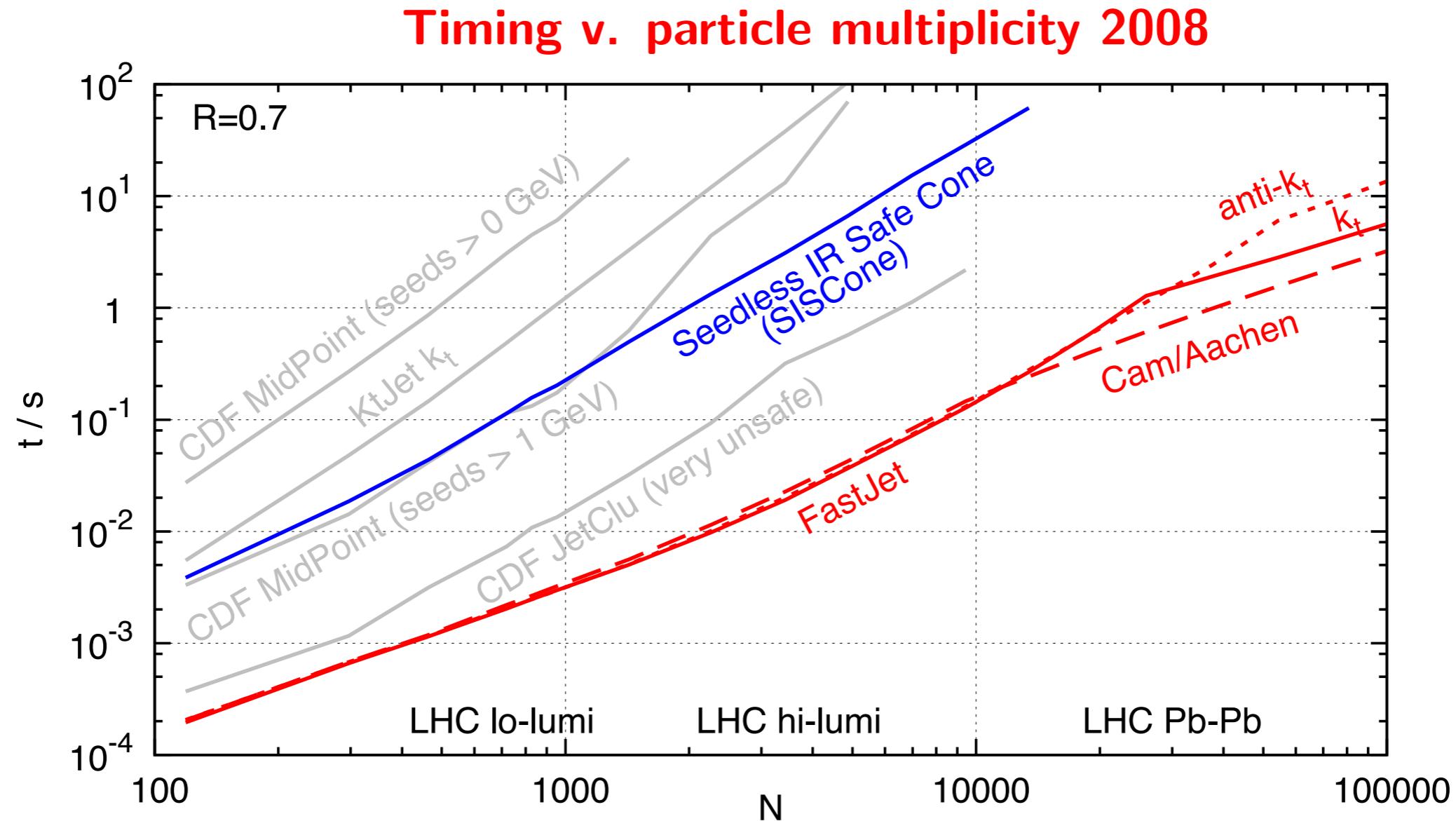
- “Cone” algorithms
  - Clustering algorithms
- ✿ LUCLUS (Sjöstrand, 1983)
- ✿ JADE (Bethke et al., 1986)
- ✿  $k_T$ /Durham (Dokshitzer, 1990)
- ✿ Cambridge/Aachen (Dokshitzer et al., 1997)
- ✿ Anti- $k_T$  (Salam et al., 2008)
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# Jet algorithms: computation



- Computation time  $\propto N^3$

# Jet algorithms: computation



- Computational geometry →  $N^3 \rightarrow N \log N$

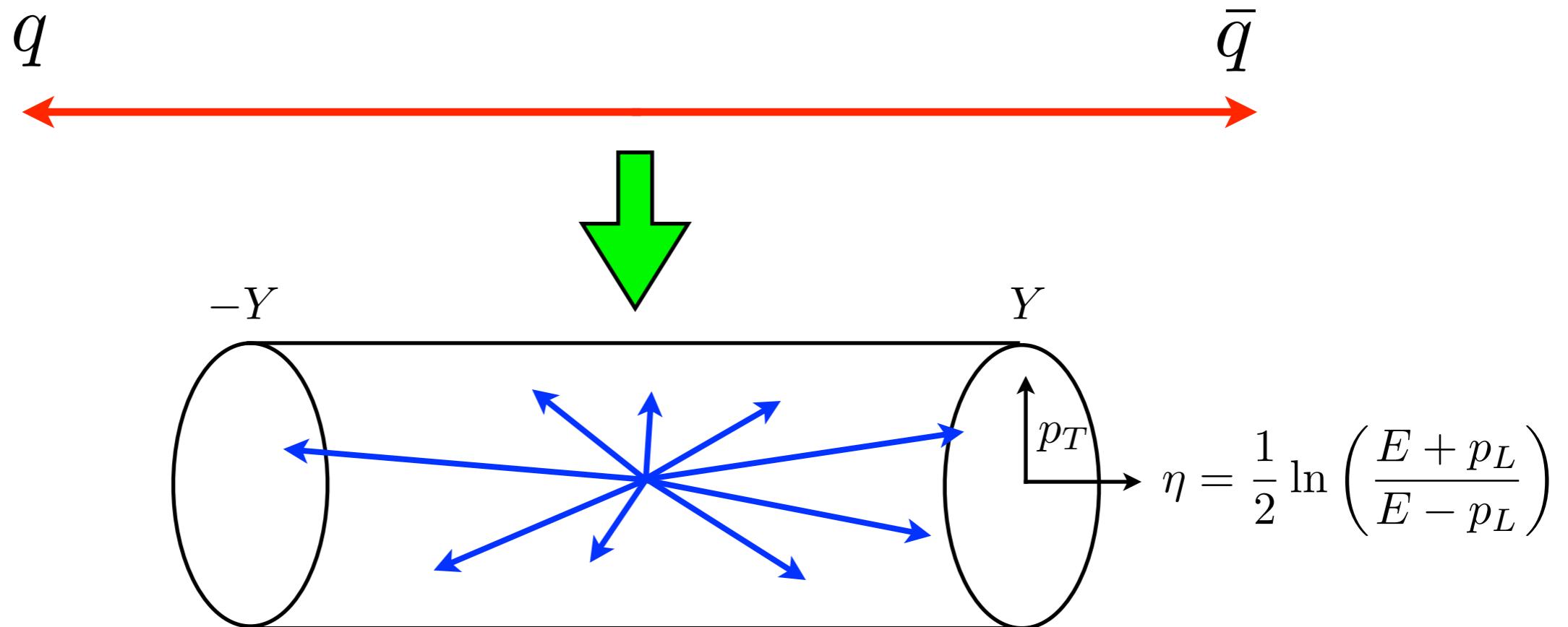
FastJet: Cacciari & Salam, Phys Lett B 641(2006)57

# Clustering algorithms

- Algorithms have two key elements:
  - ✿ ordering variable  $v_{ij}$ : combine smallest if
  - ✿ resolution variable  $y_{ij} > y$
- LUCLUS:  $v_{ij} \sim \{E_i E_j / (E_i + E_j)\}^2 \theta_{ij}^2$ ,  $y_{ij} = v_{ij} / E_{\text{cm}}^2$
- JADE:  $v_{ij} = M_{ij}^2 \sim E_i E_j \theta_{ij}^2$ ,  $y_{ij} = v_{ij} / E_{\text{cm}}^2$
- $k_T$ /Durham:  $v_{ij} \sim \min\{E_i, E_j\}^2 \theta_{ij}^2$ ,  $y_{ij} = v_{ij} / E_{\text{cm}}^2$
- Cambridge/Aachen:  $v_{ij} \sim \theta_{ij}^2$ ,  $y_{ij} = y_{ij}^{k_T}$
- Anti- $k_T$ :  $v_{ij} \sim \theta_{ij}^2 / \max\{E_i, E_j\}^2$ ,  $y_{ij} = y_{ij}^{k_T}$

# Hadronization

- Simple “tube” model describes many features



$$Q = E_{\text{cm}} = \int d\eta d^2 p_T \rho(p_T) p_T \cosh y = 2\lambda \sinh Y$$

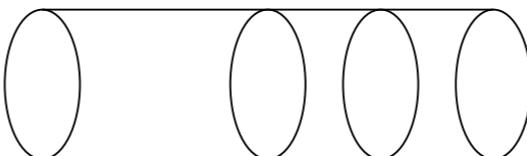
$$\lambda = \int d^2 p_T \rho(p_T) p_T = N_{\text{had}} \langle p_T \rangle / 2Y$$

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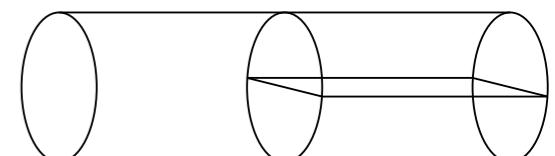
- Algorithm should classify tube as 2-jet

✿  $\langle y_{3\text{-jet}} \rangle$  **smallest is best**

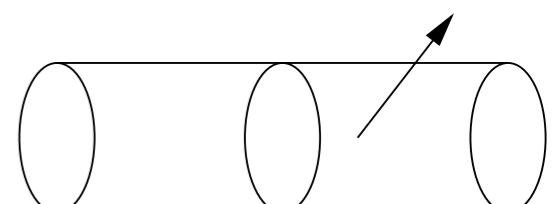
- JADE:  $\langle y_{3\text{-jet}} \rangle \sim \lambda/Q$



- LUCLUS,  $k_T$ /Durham:  $\langle y_{3\text{-jet}} \rangle \sim (\lambda \ln Q/Q)^2$

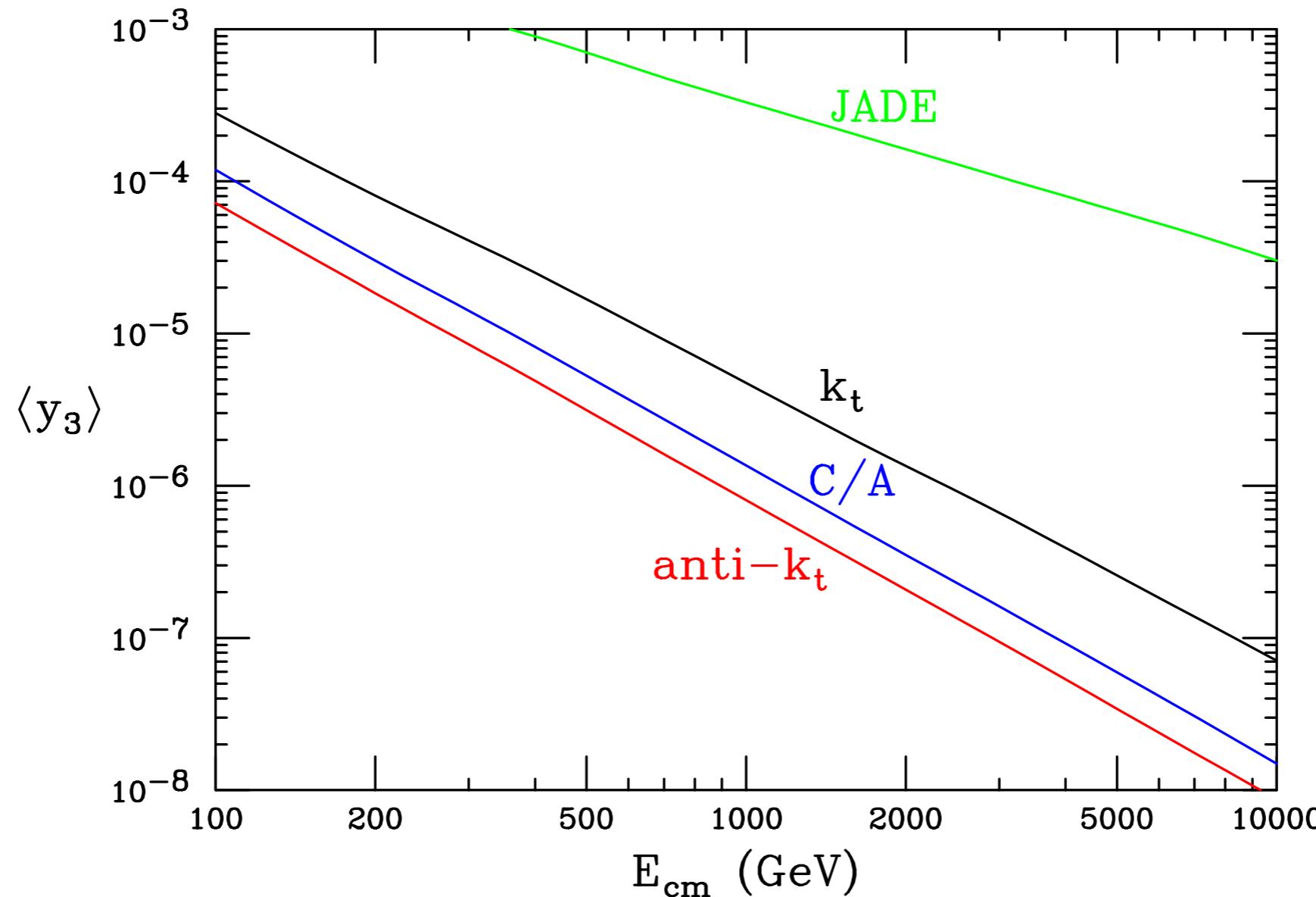


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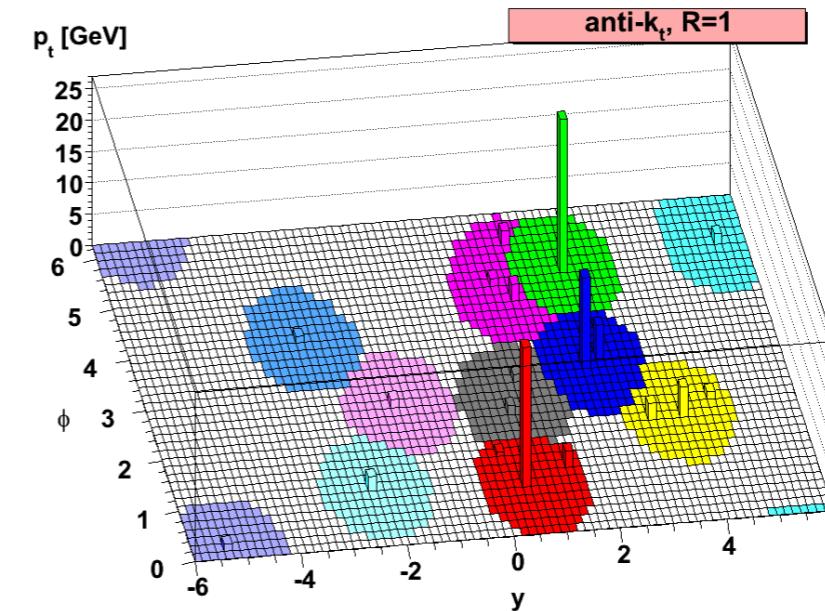
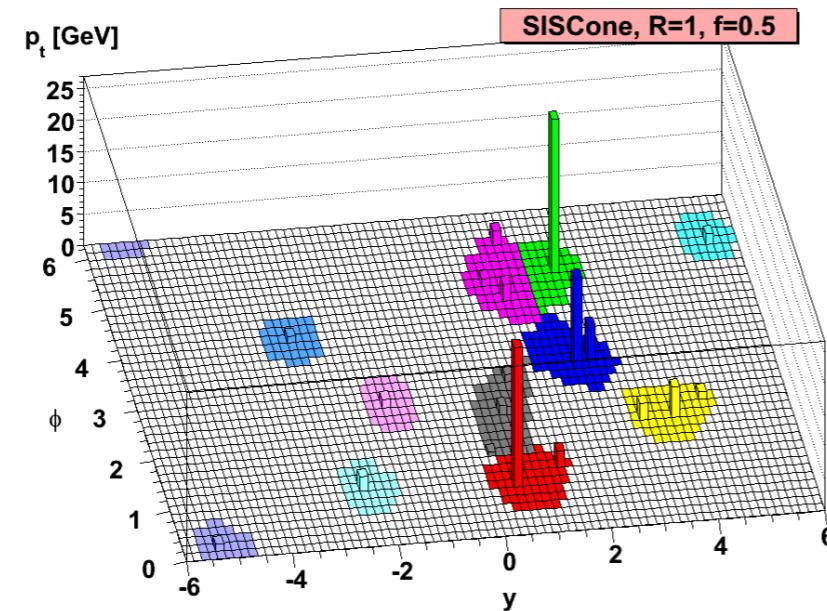
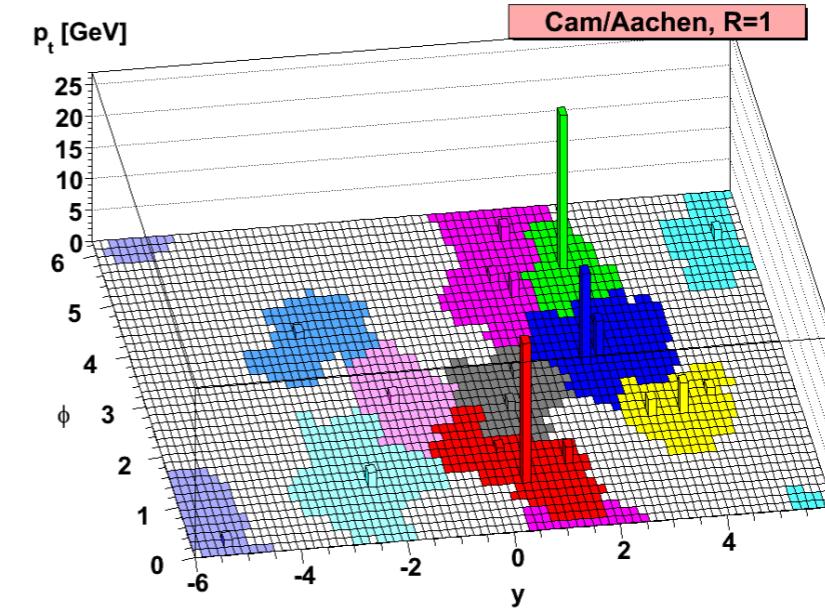
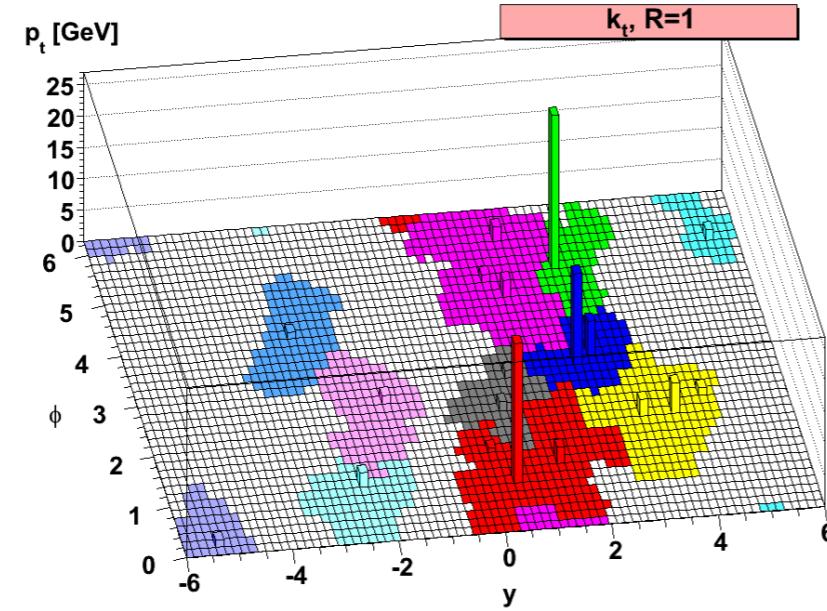
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# Jet algorithms: hadronization



- Anti- $k_T$  is best for small hadronization effect

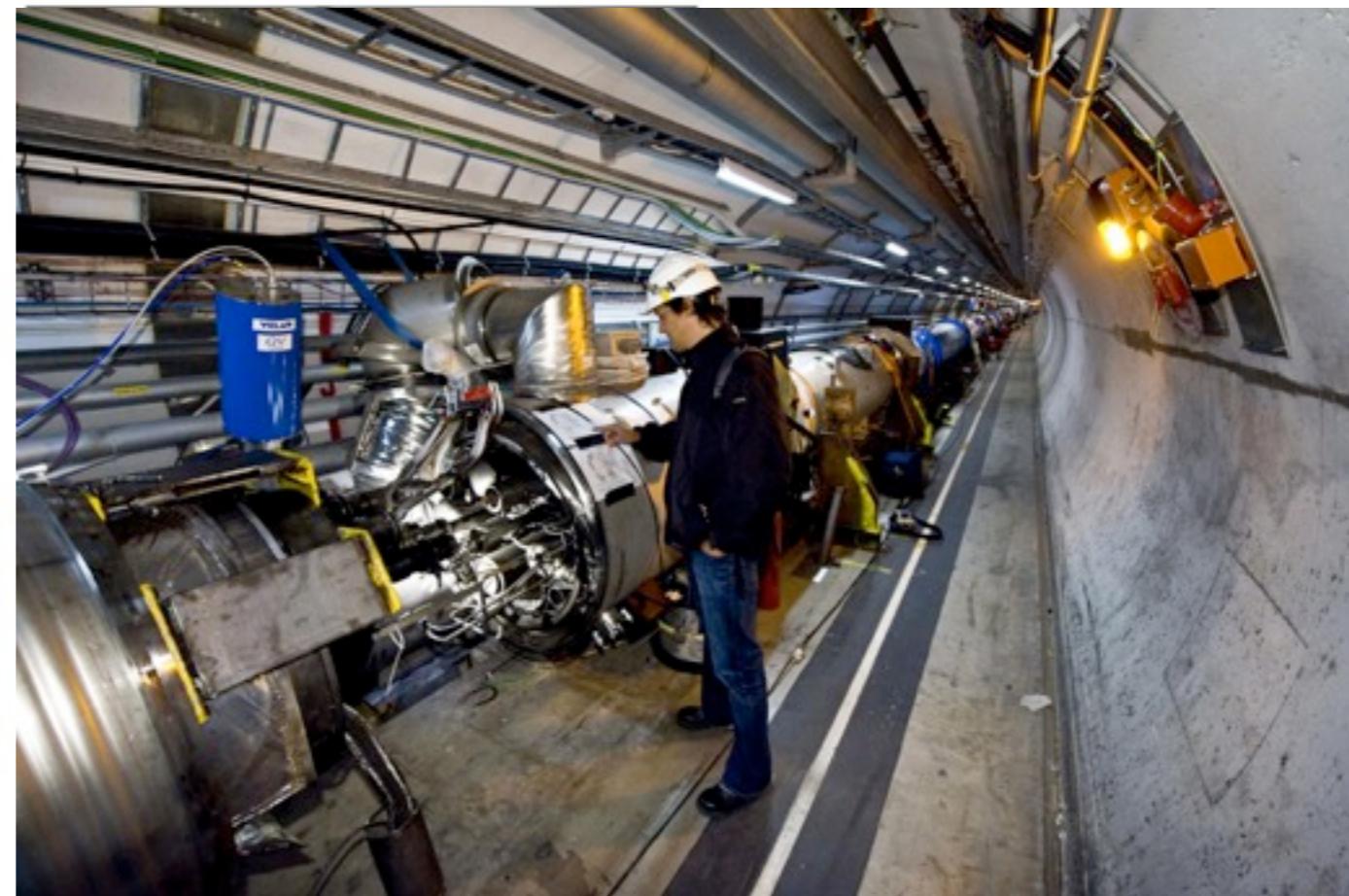
# Jet algorithms: underlying event



Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, JHEP04(2006)063

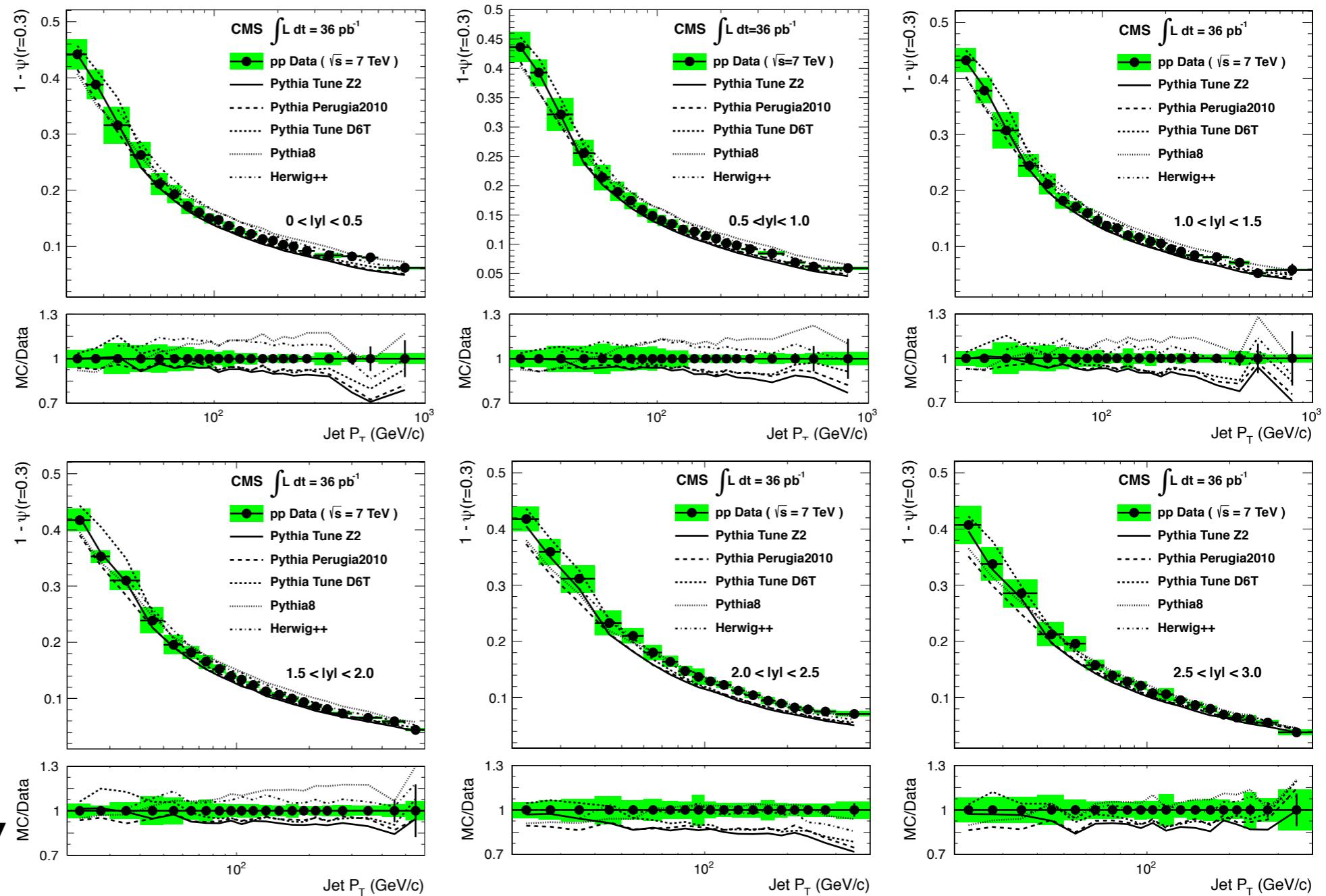
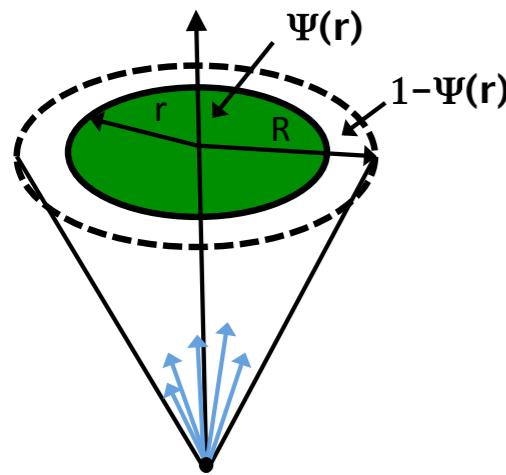
- Anti- $k_T$  is best for controlled UE subtraction

# LHC Quench Incident



- First beams on 10 Sept 2008
- On 19 Sept 2008, an electrical fault caused ~100 bending magnets to quench
- 6 tons of LHe lost, 53 magnets damaged
- Startup delayed >1 year → time to switch to anti- $k_T$

# Jet profiles at LHC



- Anti- $k_T$ ,  $R=0.7$
- Parton shower and hadronization
- No matching or merging

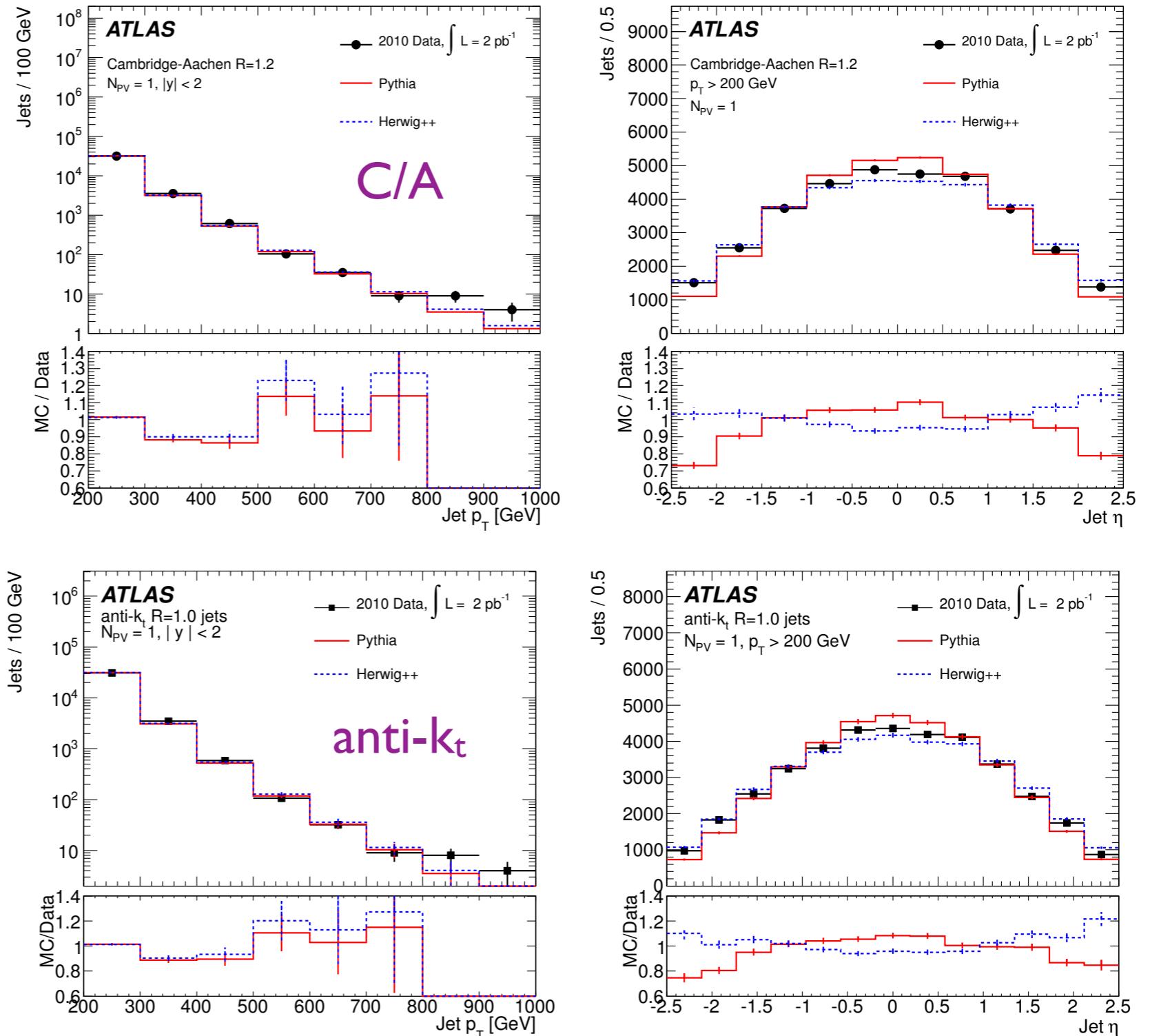
CMS, arXiv:1204.3170

# Early jet cross sections at LHC

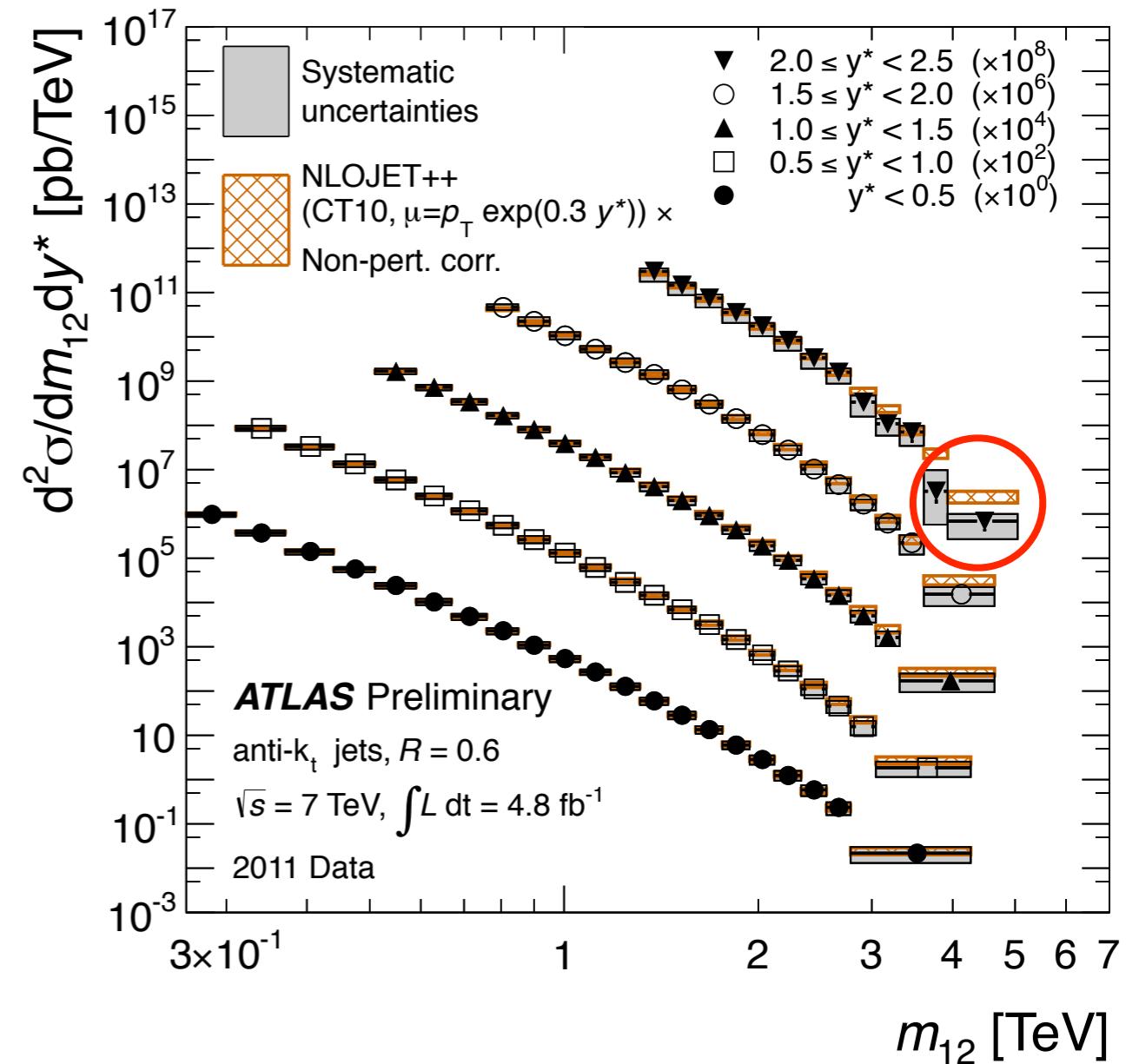
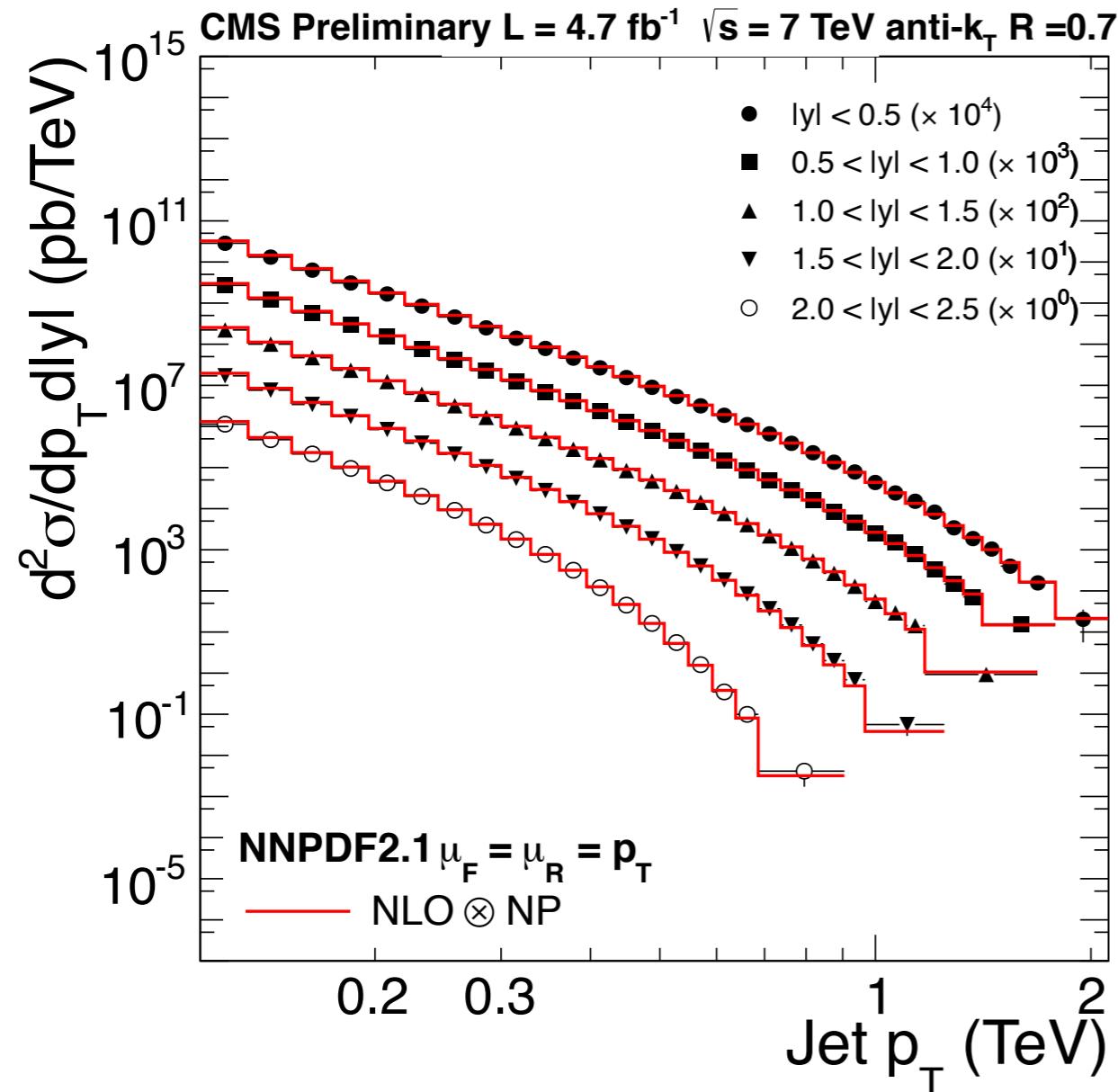
- Only 2 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Parton shower generation only
- No matching or merging

$$R \geq \sqrt{\Delta\eta_{ij} + \Delta\phi_{ij}} \sim \theta_{ij}$$

ATLAS, arXiv:1203.4606

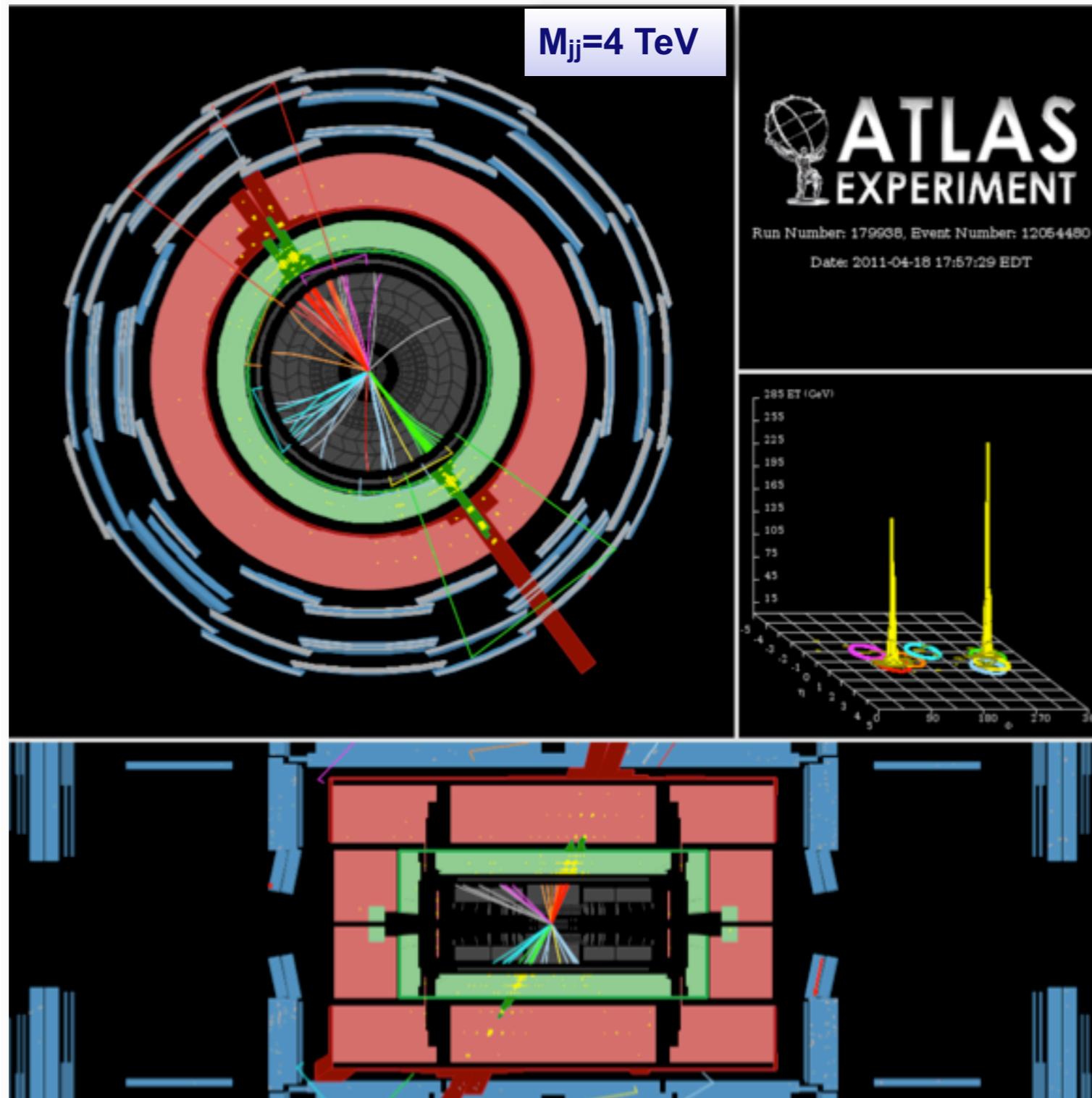


# Latest jet cross sections at LHC

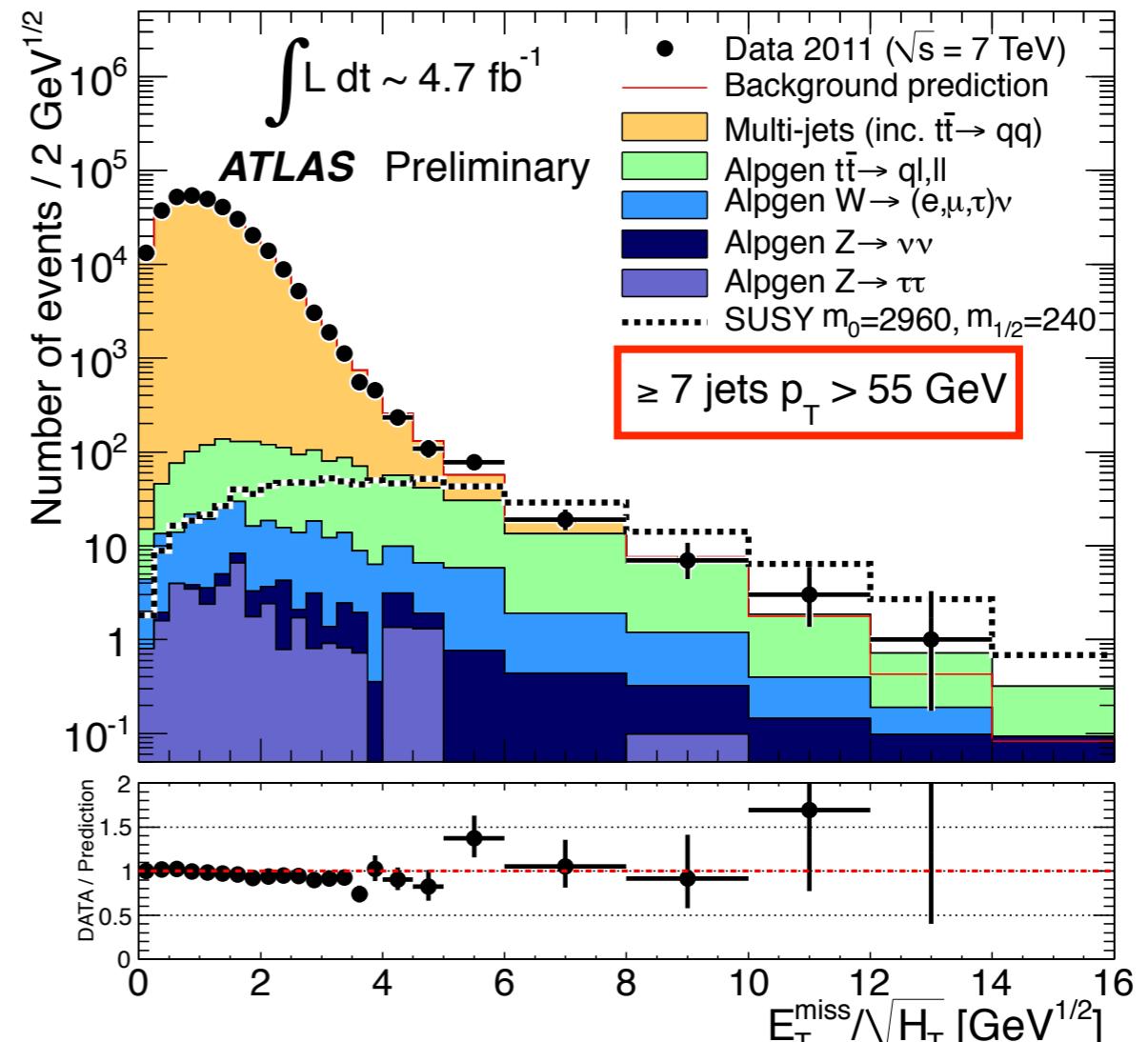
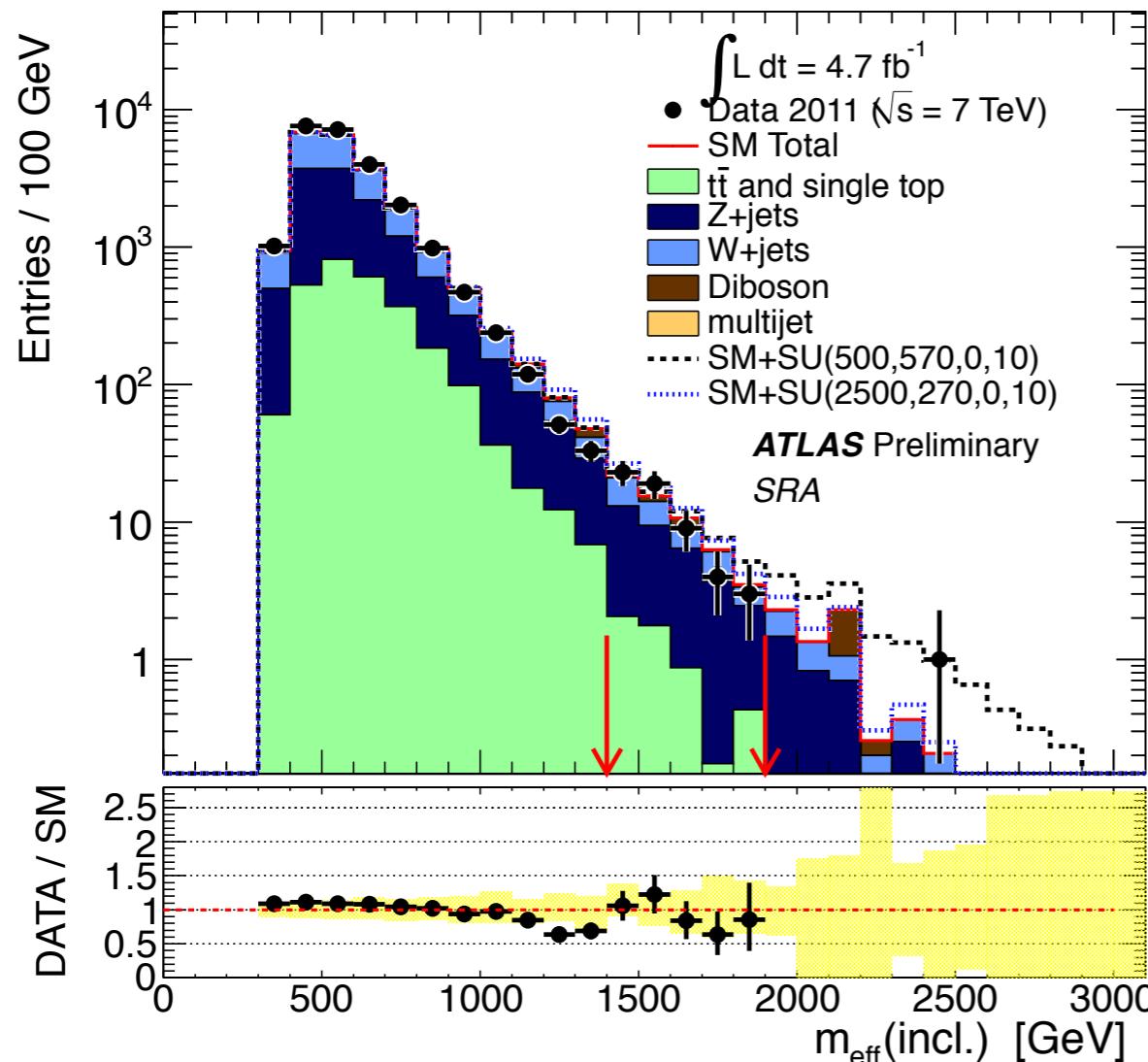


- NLO with hadronization corrections (NP)
- $m_{12}$  = dijet invariant mass

# A high-mass dijet

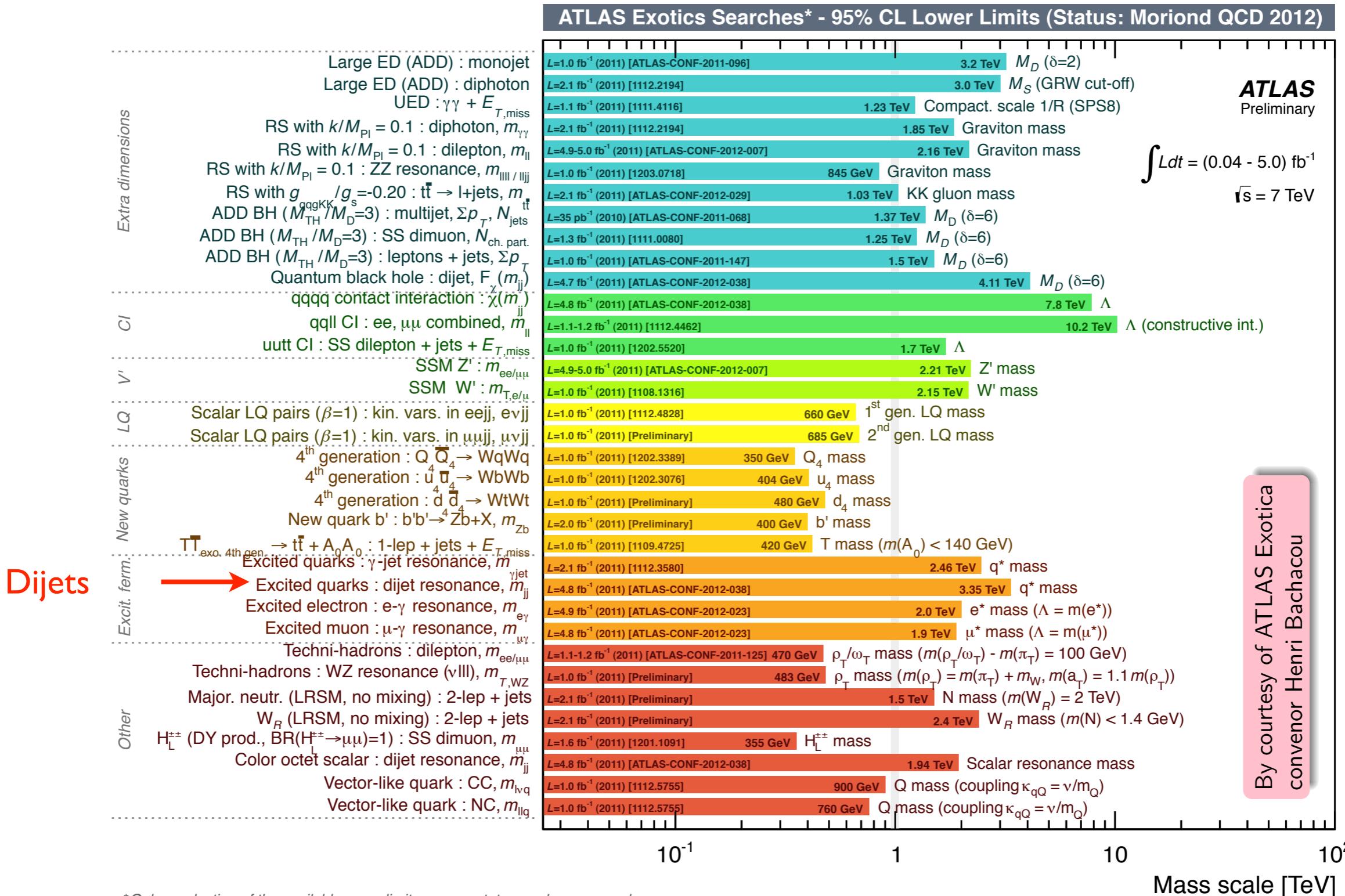


# Searching for new signals



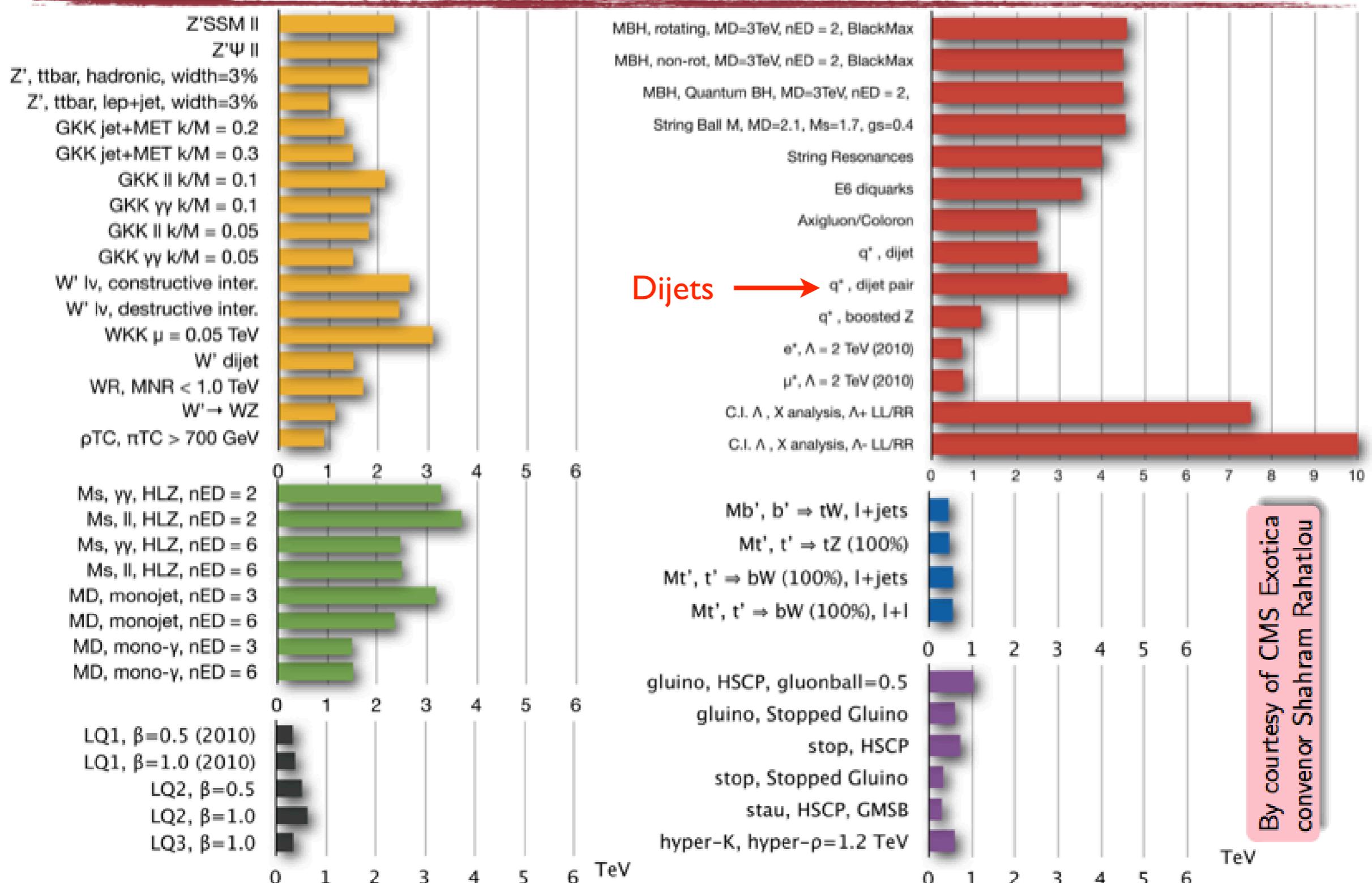
- “SUSY” = Constrained Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model
- Huge parameter space still to explore

# ATLAS Search Summary



\*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena shown

# CMS Search Summary



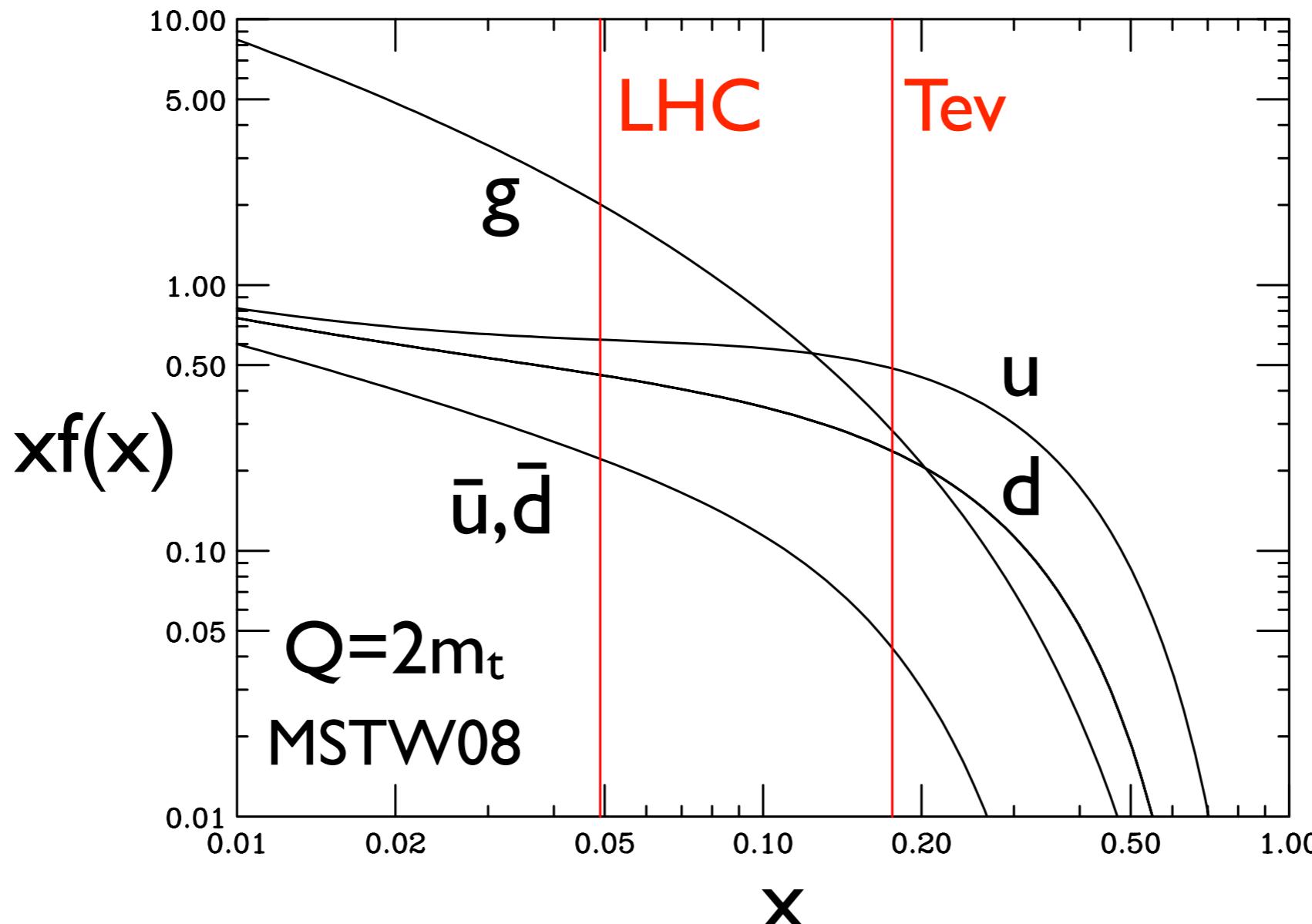
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convenor Shahram Rahatlou

# Conclusions & Prospects

- Event generators now have more controlled precision
  - ✿ Surprisingly good agreement with first LHC data
  - ✿ Next steps:
    - \* Multijet NLO merging (MENLOPS)
    - \* NLO parton showering?
- LHC delay meant better jet algorithm ( $\text{anti-}k_t$ ) adopted
  - ✿ Next steps:
    - \* Better theory understanding (beyond FO)
    - \* Use of jet substructure

# Backup

# Parton distributions



- $u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  dominates at Tevatron,  $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  at LHC

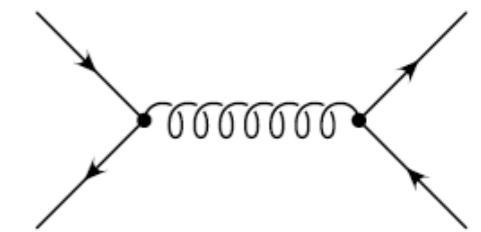
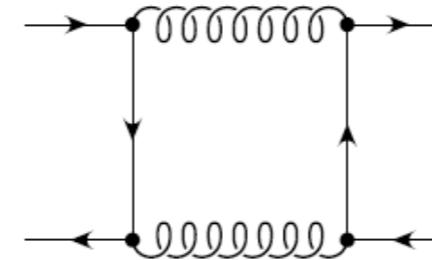
# Top quark asymmetry $A_{FB}$

- Only  $q\bar{q}$  asymmetric
- NLO effect  $\sim 5\%$  at parton level

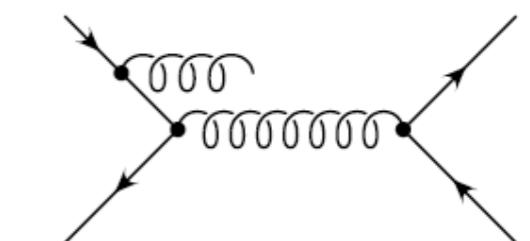
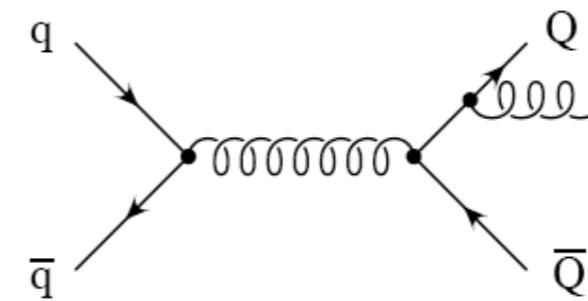
- t prefers q direction

$$y \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

→ Expect  $y_t > y_{\bar{t}}$



$$A^{t\bar{t}} > 0 \text{ dominant (low } p_T^{t\bar{t}}\text{)}$$



$$A^{t\bar{t}} < 0 \text{ if extra jet or high } p_T^{t\bar{t}}$$

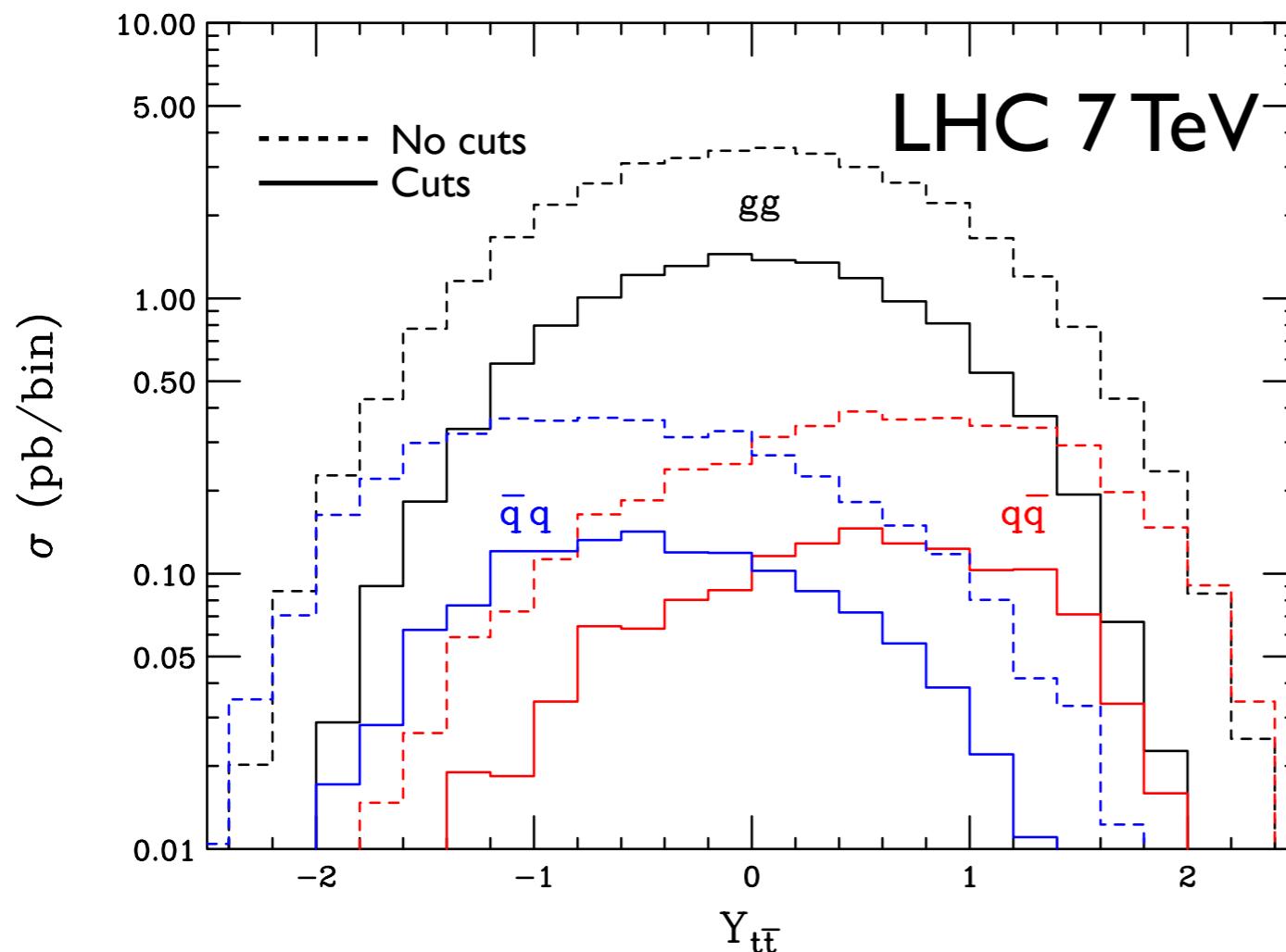
$$\Delta y = y_t - y_{\bar{t}}$$



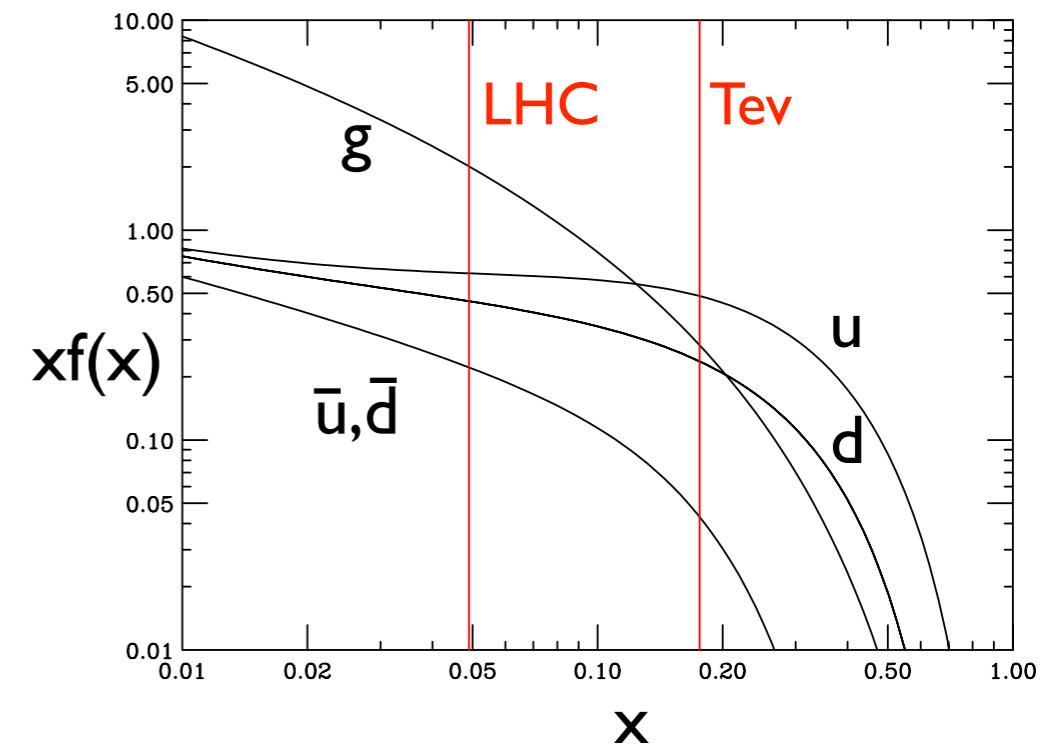
$$A^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)} > 0$$

# Top quark asymmetry at LHC

- LHC is a pp collider  $\rightarrow$  no effect??
- No! Effect should increase with  $Y_{t\bar{t}}$  ( $q$  vs  $\bar{q}$ )
- SM effect is small (plots show MC truth for  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

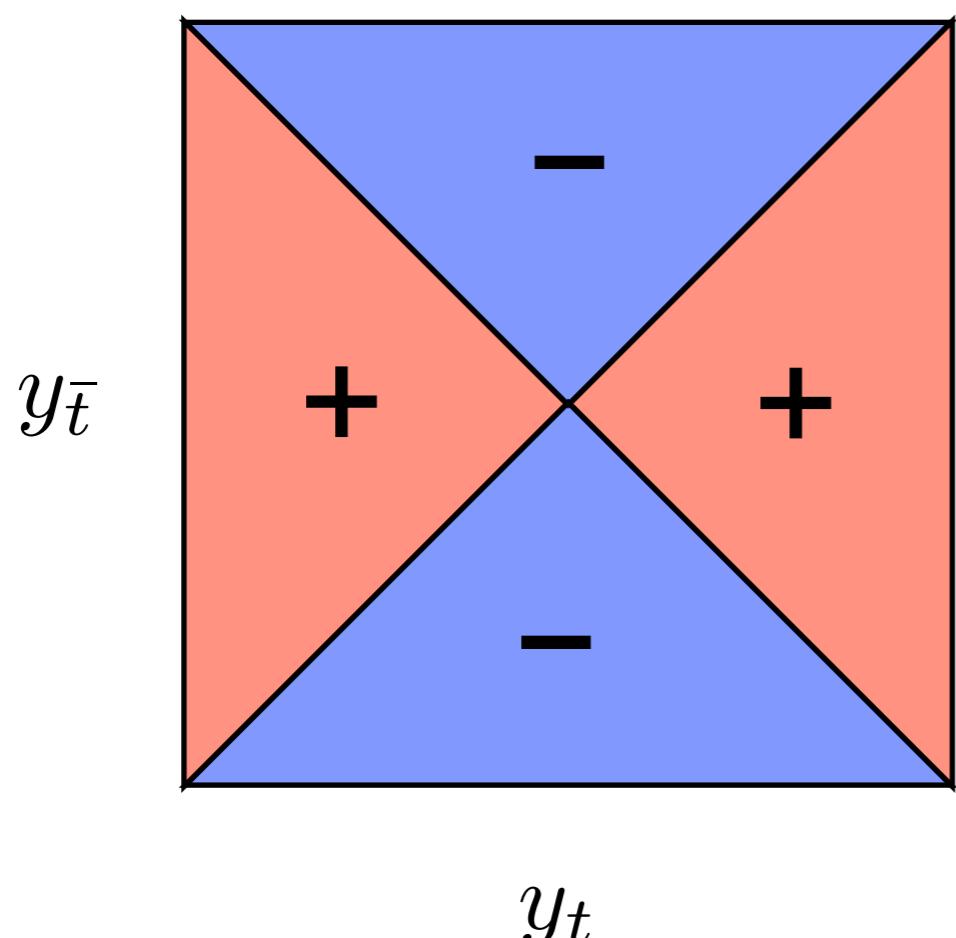


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- Rapidity correlation should be as shown below
- Top rapidity distribution should be wider



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$$A_C = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)}$$

$$\Delta|y| \equiv |y_t| - |y_{\bar{t}}| > 0 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \Delta y \cdot Y_{t\bar{t}} > 0$$